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## CELEBRATE LIFE WITH CHLOE

THOUSANDS of women will take their place at starting lines all over the county when this year's Cancer Research UK Race for Life gets underway.

Brave Chloe Gambrill was on hand to launch this year's fund-raising campaign at Bluewater on Saturday.

She helped to distribute over 7,000 flyers to Saturday shoppers to promote the annual event.

The Ramsgate youngster was joined by Maidstone's Deborah Puxty who is in remission from bowel cancer and Gillingham race competitor, Joy Saunders who lost her husband to rectal cancer.

The 10-year-old took part in the Tesco sponsored race in 2005 despite being diagnosed with leukaemia just five weeks beforehand.

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■ BY TOM BETTS

AN AWARD winning gardener's plans for a popular family spot are being met with horror by the people of Broadstairs.

The Royal Albion Hotel's garden revamp, currently taking place at the clifftop overlooking Viking Bay, is midway through construction.

The grass has been removed and decking will be laid by Trevor Tooth, Radio Kent's garden expert and Chelsea Flower Show medal winner.

However, many locals do not like what they see and accuse owners Shepherd Neame of spoiling a well-known family area.

Margaret Kent, chairman of the Liberal Democrats in Broadstairs, Ramsgate and St Peters, was one: "It's awful. I mean do we really need more decking? There was nothing wrong with the garden as it was, it had a lot of charm but now it's gone."

She added: "I've spoken to dozens of people about this and not one person has said that they like what's going on. They think it's awful."

A spokesman for Shepherd Neame, who acquired the hotel last year, said: "It's a key landmark in the town and we want to get it right."

The brewer's retail director, Nigel Bunting, said: "We have received a great deal of positive feedback from customers over that time."

"The garden is the first stage of a major investment at the hotel. The work has both listed building and planning consent."

"Not all of the plants and trees are being removed and there will be considerable additional planting within the new development. As a result we are confident that it will be a significant improvement to the hotel and I am sure it will be enjoyed to its full by many customers."

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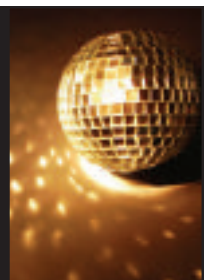
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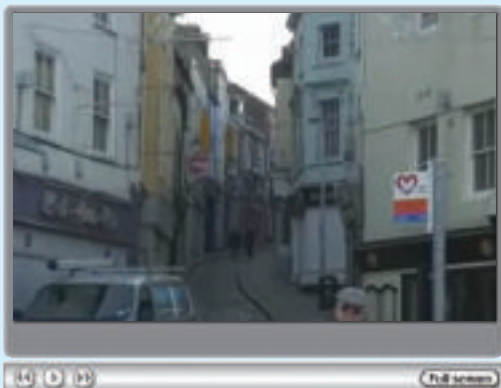
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**2** Folkestone's transformation continues courtesy of the Creative Foundation. See the business channel @ Yourkenttv.co.uk



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## Ladies are invited to race for their lives

FROM FRONT PAGE

Although she collapsed while taking part, the determined youngster insisted on going the distance, and with the help of her dad Darren, mum Kelly and brother Charlie fought on to cross the line as planned.

Natasha Etienne, the Race for Life's coordinator in Kent, said: "It was great to see Chloe looking so well and she can't wait to compete in this year's race. This year I think she is hoping to complete the race in 45 minutes."

Chloe was inspired to take part after her grandmother died from cancer and was rewarded for her courage with an award at last year's Pride of Britain awards.

Nine Race for Life races will take part in Kent between May and June. Locations include Quex Park in



**SURVIVORS:** Deborah Puxty, Joy Saunders and Chloe Gambrell launch the campaign

Thanet, Mote Park in Maidstone, Capstone Farm Country Park in Gillingham, The Leas in Folkestone, Victoria Park in Ashford and along Herne Bay's seafront.

Organisers are hoping for a huge

turnout as the women-only event takes shape.

Last year 665,000 females walked, jogged and ran the 5km courses all over the country, with 26,500 competing in Kent alone.

Natasha Etienne, said: "In Kent we're looking to break the £1.6 million mark. We raised £1.5 million last year in the county so hope we can go one better this time around. The places are starting to fill up so you need to get in quick!"

She added: "I invite all women to Race for Life. You can walk, jog or run it's the taking part that counts! Check out your nearest venue at www.raceforlife.org/south."

For more information on the Race for Life visit www.raceforlife.org or call the helpline on 0871 641 2282.

## Savings made, but council tax set to rise

■ BY TOM BETTS

THANET District Council has announced its increase in your council tax for the next financial year.

The rise will come into force when the council's budget is passed by cabinet and payments will begin from Tuesday, April 1.

For an average Band D house the bill will now be around the £1,400 mark.

Minster residents pay the most at £1,424 while those in Margate pay the least at £1,397.

The money is shared out between Thanet council who take 14.17 per cent, the police with 9 per cent and Kent Fire and Rescue with 4 per cent. The difference is made up of local charges to parish and town council local precepts.

Kent County Council receives the biggest chunk of your money, with 72 per cent.

Across Kent, council tax rose by 3.9 per cent. The average household will have to pay around an extra £8.46 per year, for Thanet's council services.

The increase is a rise of 4.5 per cent, after the council moved to keep the rate rise at the same amount as it has been for the last three years.

## Tough

Cllr Martin Wise, cabinet member for finance, improvement and customer services, said: "We said last year's budget was tough, but this one has been just as hard, with such a disappointing settlement from central government."

"When you really look at the amount of money we are receiving in grants from them, it's clear that a like for like increase on last year's amount of just 1.1 per cent is not enough,

when you consider that inflation is running at over 4 per cent."

He went on: "We are an ambitious council that wants to achieve the best for our residents and that includes delivering on the priorities that matter to them."

"That's why we've taken a hard look at where we can find savings over the last few months to enable council tax rises to be kept to an absolute minimum. Finding savings of almost £3 million in our budget has not been easy, but we've managed to do it and in ways that don't impact on front line services."

"That includes delivering better value for money in the contracts we negotiate, tightening up spending on areas such as postage, printing and telephone costs and also by improved management of council land and buildings to ensure that they provide maximum value for money for our residents."

## Police seize alcohol from under age drinkers

A MIXTURE of alcopops, beer and cider has been seized from youngsters in Broadstairs.

A total of 49 seizures were made in the town and one person was issued a fixed penalty notice for selling cider to a

16-year-old boy. Officers witnessed the sale and handed out an £80 fine.

Police officers will be out on a similar operation this weekend.

Neighbourhood inspector, Simon Morris, said: "The results of this week-

end's work are good. The problems we have in Thanet are often fuelled by alcohol.

"We are playing our part in preventing young people from getting hold of it."

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# Seeds of doubt are sown by residents

## Hotel garden regeneration called 'crazy'

BY TOM BETTS

RADIO Kent's gardening guru is coming under fire for his plans to make over a much-loved Broadstairs spot.

The Albion Hotel's garden on the seafront is getting the Trevor Toth treatment as the radio regular has been commissioned to revamp the site on behalf of owners Shepherd Neame.

However, some residents are unhappy with the scheme, protesting that the spot is being ruined and stripped of its natural charm.

Broadstairs tree warden, Camille Sutton, has even branded the work "crazy".

She said: "This is an old fashioned garden where people went with their kids to sit out in the sun. It was a continuation of the gardens along the promenade, had a lovely feel and was popular with locals and tourists."

"It was a real jewel and very popular. We're



CHANGE: Trevor Toth of Radio Kent is giving the Albion Hotel's garden a complete make over

not saying it didn't need a bit of money spent on it but what they're doing to it is crazy."

Others in the town have also complained that the work will spoil the popular family spot.

Filmmaker Christine Tongue described the efforts as little more than a "tear up and pave over to the horror of everyone here!"

She added: "I hate garden makeovers. Why spoil something quite natural with grass and trees and make what amounts to a back yard?"

Meanwhile, Mr Toth, a past medal winner at the Chelsea Flower Show, said he was sorry for leaving people down in the mouth but promised the finished results will be worthwhile. The

gardener plans to lose a hedge, lay two areas of cedar platforms and smarten up the area.

He said: "I'm really not trying to offend anyone. This has been thought about a lot. We're not just chucking down a load of concrete slabs and laying a load of cheap decking."

"What we're doing will make more space for families, which was a struggle before, and doing more planting to achieve a better rhythm of colour through the year."

"The garden was in need of regeneration and that's what we're doing, making it better and enhancing it. I think people will be very pleasantly surprised when it's finished."

## Political posturing at ground breaking

WORK on a new road aimed at relieving the traffic in Westwood has begun.

Thanet's Conservatives broke ground to celebrate the construction of the KCC and Thanet council venture at New Haine Road last week - firing off a broadside at the previous Labour administration and the government.

Council leader, Sandy Ezekiel, said: "This is about two Conservative councils working together to get results. There's not a penny of Westminster money going into this. It's a victory for innovation and building a business-friendly environment for jobs in our area."

The road is the first phase of five upgrades for the Westwood area.

North Thanet MP, Roger Gale MP said: "Thanet and Kent County Councils are doing their best to get infrastructure in place before development takes place. The task would have been a lot easier if the last Labour council, which likes to claim credit for Westwood Cross, had paid a little attention to roads and railways when agreeing the outline plans."

The Tories say disruption to traffic along the existing Haine Road should be minimal.

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Robin Hills' childhood memories of World War Two in Ramsgate

## Expansion plans to go on display

THE Charles Dickens School will be the subject of a multi-million pound transformation.

An open day for families with children at the school and interested residents will be held next Wednesday from 6-9pm.

The expansion plans comprise new and refurbished facilities with state-of-the-art ICT provision.

The full proposals and timescale for the project, which is part of the Building Schools for the Future programme will be on display.

Headteacher Andrew Olsson said: "The investment will provide world class facilities for our students and enable teachers to transform and develop learning fit for the 21st century."

KCC cabinet member for education operations, resources and skills, Mark Dance, said: "Students will benefit from vibrant new facilities and I hope people will come along to find out more."

BSF is the biggest single government investment in improving school buildings for more than 50 years. The aim is to rebuild or renew nearly every secondary school in England over a 10 to 15 year period.

## Police ready to welcome new area commander

A NEW man is the area commander of the police in east Kent.

Kent Police's Chief Supt John Molloy will take over from Chief Supt Peter West, who leaves the role to take on new responsibilities.

Chief Supt Molloy has 22 years of service behind him and has spent the last two working with the partnership and crime reduction department after transferring in from another force.

He starts in his new role on Monday, March 3.

He said: "This is a beautiful part of the county and I am looking forward to building on the good work officers have done not only in making Canterbury and Thanet a safe place to live and work, but also in playing our part in developing a vibrant economy where businesses feel it is an attractive area for investment."

Outgoing Peter West now heads to force command centre in Maidstone.

He said: "It has been a pleasure



INCOMING: Chief Supt John Molloy

leading a team of such highly motivated and committed staff. I will miss all the staff here in East Kent.

"I had worked in Canterbury before, but had never worked in Thanet and that has been particularly enjoyable."

"It took me back to my days as a sergeant in Folkestone where the links to the community are very close."

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NEWS IN BRIEFJoin in the EU treaty  
protest at Westminster

RESIDENTS who wish to protest about the EU treaty can get on a bus to Westminster later this month.

Conservative parliamentary candidate for south Thanet, Laura Sandys, is organising the trip which departs on Wednesday, February 27.

Ms Sandys said: "We want those from east Kent to have the opportunity to take part in this important protest."

"It's important for MPs to realise how strongly people feel about this by making the effort to go to London to discuss the issue with them."

Reserve a seat on the bus by contacting Laura on 01843 595258 or laura@sandys.org.uk. The bus leaves Ramsgate harbour at 8.30am.

Police want to hear  
from crash witnesses

POLICE are asking for anyone who may have witnessed a road crash in Birchington to come forward.

It happened on the A28 Canterbury Road on Monday, February 11, when a man was struck by a car as he was getting out of a parked van at around 5.25pm.

The man is recovering at home after a spell at the QEQM Hospital but his condition was initially described as life threatening.

The vehicle, a Vauxhall Corsa, was travelling in the Westgate to Birchington direction and the two passengers were uninjured.

Witnesses are being asked to get in touch with the police to assist with their investigation by calling 01622 798538.

Come and link up with  
other small businesses

SMALL businesses owners can get expert advice at free clinics.

The event is organised by the Business Link group and aimed at helping people take their small businesses forward.

Carol Bentall, area manager for East Kent, said: "Running a small business can be a daunting prospect but there is a huge amount of help available."

"Talking things through with an advisor can identify areas that may require further support and an advisor will suggest a range of suitable solutions."

The Margate Media Centre in King Street will host the Business Advice Clinic event from 9am to 5pm on Wednesday, March 12.

Eastcliff Richard silenced  
by hackers, temporarily

BLOG-GATE is in full swing as another popular website has bitten the dust.

The latest page to disappear from the internet is the Eastcliff Richard site which has been hacked with its entire content deleted.

The news comes just days after the popular Thant Life blog was taken offline and is the latest salvo in the ever growing blogging battle developing on the Isle.

The Eastcliff Richard blog, by an anonymous Ramsgate author, was one of the best visited and most regularly updated among the burgeoning Thanet blogging community.

However, hackers, possibly rivals keen to silence the outspoken Eastcliff have gained access.

The page now displays the simple message "bye bye, got you" message.

The man behind the "Eastcliff Richard" moniker told Yourthanet: "I haven't a clue who got in but I can't log in to the site anymore so it

■ BY TOM BETTS



**DELETED:** All that remains of the Eastcliff Richard blog are the words "bye bye, got you" posted by the hackers

looks like the entry details have been changed somehow. Other bloggers I know have experienced this in the past."

However, the mysterious blogger has vowed to make a comeback.

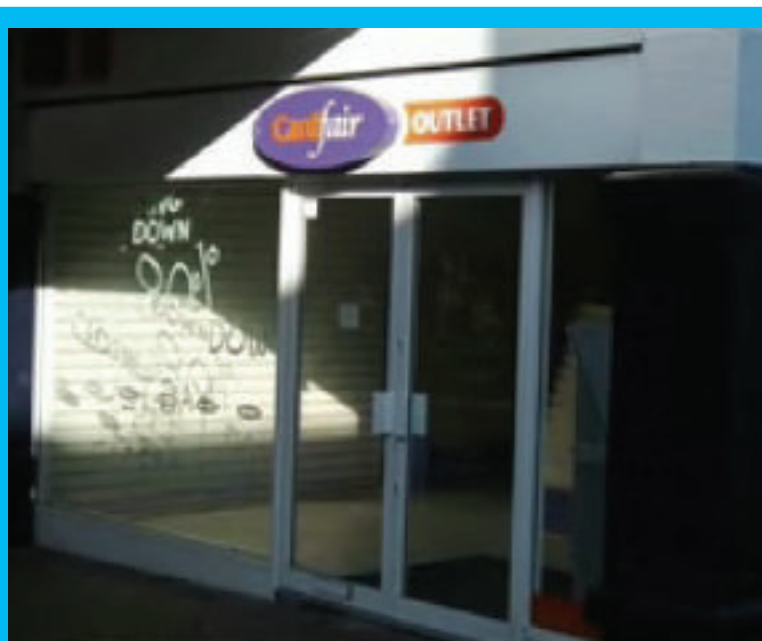
- Blog is the term used to describe a weblog, an online journal or diary that is updated regularly.
- The laws concerning what you can and can't say are still much-debated due to the law governing the internet still being something of a legal grey area.

He added: "I will be back in some form or other, hopefully with the blog, or maybe in some other guise if not."

Last week, Tory councillor, and author of the popular Thanet Life weblog, Dr Simon Moores, hung up his keyboard due to the stress it was bringing him.

Cllr Moores said that online activity was starting to affect his family life and could even lead to a scenario where it started to lead to influence his business activities.

He said his children were being abused at school and that the "political left" in Thanet were out to tarnish his reputation with online gossip and rumour.

CAN WE TURN  
IT AROUND?

Adding fuel to the fire of debate over the physical appearance of Margate comes a short film called "Margate, pride of Thanet or town on its knees?"

The film has been posted on Your Kent TV for all to see and may further the discussion about the merits of Margate's horizons.

Last month, Band Aid figurehead, Sir Bob Geldof, remarked that the town was ugly.

Talking to a Kent County Council newspaper about the look of Kent, he said: "It's a mad mystery, the battle of the ugliness of Margate against the charm of the beaches."

Leading members of the town's society reacted with anger over his comments but many of the townspeople agreed with the former Boomtown Rats' remarks when asked by Yourthanet.

We are also deluged with letters on the subject as the debate raged.

View the clip at [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk) in the Your documentary section.



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**FRYING HIGH:** Winning chef Mark McEachran roasted the opposition in the high-pressure competition

# Chef cooks up a storm

A PRESSURE cooker atmosphere and a clutch of hungry judges was not enough to deter seven young chefs from cooking up a storm at Kent Young Chefs competition.

The event was held at Thanet College in Broadstairs, and Mark McEachran, 23, a student at the college took advantage of his familiar territory and rose to the challenge to emerge as the victor.

The Deal student's main course of seared wood pigeon and his desert, a fresh twist on rhubarb crumble with ginger, received high marks from the judges.

Running the rule over the dishes were Radio Kent's breakfast show host, John Warnett, and Adrian Whitehead from event sponsors Whitehead Monckton Solicitors.

The pair were joined by top chefs, Neil Wiggins from Eastwell Manor and Mark Rossi from Abode Hotel, Canterbury, who lent an expert view to proceedings.

Mr Rossi said: "This was a great event, the standard was very good and there was little to choose from in terms of first and second place.

"It was a very positive experience for the young chefs as it makes them think about costings, food miles, quality of ingredients at the same time as making them execute their skills in a pressurised situation."

The event was organised by Produced in

■ BY TOM BETTS

Kent, the campaign to encourage the support of the local food industry, with all the day's ingredients sourced from within Kent's boundaries.

The campaign's Stephanie Durling said: "We are delighted to have been able to put on this event, which highlights the talent and enthusiasm of the young cooking talent in the county.

"We plan to make this an annual competition and an opportunity for young chefs to demonstrate their food creativity and flair using the best local fresh and seasonal products from Kent."

She added: "The standard has really been absolutely fantastic."

Winner Mark waked away with the first prize: £500, a new set of knives, a chef's jacket and a week long placement in Mark Rossi's kitchen.

He will receive his prizes at the Taste of Kent Awards on Wednesday, February 27.

College head of catering, Roger Phillips, said: "This was a fantastic event. It was the first time it has been run and we really want to build on this. Everything you could want, in terms of quality ingredients, is here on our doorstep in Kent. There is so much enthusiasm for cooking and events like this give a real buzz to the students."

View the clip at [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk).

## Friends are driven to enjoy their hobby

WHEN budding filmmaker Jamie Ellis learnt of a workmate's similar love for remote control cars, a friendship was born.

With his new friend Dominic Taylor, 17, the pair filmed their love of the sport for [Yourkenttv.co.uk](http://Yourkenttv.co.uk) and posted a clip of their cars tearing up the sand at St Mildred's Bay, Westgate-on-Sea, beach for the world to see.

The pair set about filming on the beach to put together their clip and James, from Birchington, uploaded it to our website last week.

View the film at [www.yourkenttv.co.uk](http://www.yourkenttv.co.uk).

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## yourthanet NEWS IN BRIEF

### Detective pleased at paedophile sentencing

A PAEDOPHILE who groomed a 14-year-old from Westgate-on-Sea has been sentenced.

Dover's Phillip Vivash, 39, was sentenced to a three year community order under supervision from probation officers at Canterbury Crown Court last Monday. He had admitted his offences during an earlier court date.

Vivash will also be placed on the sex offenders register for five years, attend the sex offenders' treatment programme and must not have unsupervised contact with children other than his own.

Det Insp Andy Somerville said: "Judge Adele Williams told him he did not fool anyone and a man of his age should not and will not engage in such activity."

He added: "The sentence is entirely appropriate for this level of offending and it has had a substantial effect on his life. Vivash has lost his job and the prevention order will make his family life difficult.

"I hope this serves as a significant warning to any other predatory sex offender to think again before acting."

### Nothing fishy about council's trophy grant

MARGATE Fishing Club is using a grant from Thanet council to repair and replace 27 club trophies.

An amount of £500 from the council's small grants fund was awarded as the trophies were coming to the end of their life.

Chairman of the club, Kevin Hadlow, said: "I'd like to thank Thanet council.

"This will help preserve the club's historic local links to the past and enable the club to continue presenting the trophies well into the future."

### Boxing night raises tens of thousands of pounds

RAMSGATE Amateur Boxing Club and the Rotary Club raised £43,000 through their charity boxing night.

We reported last week that the amount was £4,300 but that was incorrect.

Boxing legend, Sir Henry Cooper was guest of honour at the event during which 12 bouts of action were held at the Winter Gardens in Margate.

The money will be split between the boxing club, children's hospice Demelza House and Broadstairs charity the Kingfisher Trust who help youngsters with special needs in Thanet.

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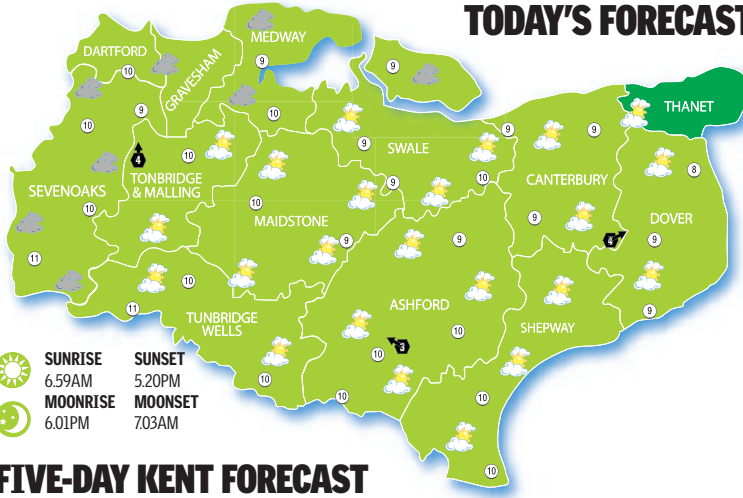
Chatham	Saturday	1:06pm	6.0m
	Sunday	1:45pm	6.1m
Dover	Saturday	11:24am	6.4m
	Sunday	11:58am	6.5m
Dungeness	Saturday	11:18am	7.3m
	Sunday	11:56am	7.5m
Ramsgate	Saturday	11:54am	4.9m
	Sunday	12:28pm	5.0m
Sheerness	Saturday	12:56pm	5.8m
	Sunday	1:35pm	5.8m
Whitstable	Saturday	1:15pm	5.4m
	Sunday	1:55pm	5.3m



## AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

Amsterdam	6°C	Madrid	8°C
Athens	-1°C	New York	4°C
Barcelona	12°C	Paris	8°C
Beijing	1°C	Rome	9°C
Bombay	30°C	Sydney	25°C
Cape Town	23°C	Tenerife	22°C
Cardiff	6°C	Tokyo	8°C
Gibraltar	15°C	Vancouver	7°C
Hong Kong	19°C	Warsaw	1°C
Las Palmas	21°C	Wellington	17°C

## TODAY'S FORECAST



**SUNRISE** 6.59AM  
**MOONRISE** 6.01PM  
**SUNSET** 5.20PM  
**MOONSET** 7.03AM

## FIVE-DAY KENT FORECAST

	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Ashford	10°C	11°C	14°C	11°C	12°C	Gravesend	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C	14°C
Canterbury	7°C	10°C	13°C	11°C	12°C	Maidstone	10°C	10°C	13°C	12°C	13°C
Chatham	8°C	11°C	13°C	12°C	12°C	Ramsgate	7°C	10°C	13°C	11°C	12°C
Dartford	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C	14°C	Rochester	8°C	11°C	13°C	12°C	12°C
Dover	7°C	9°C	11°C	9°C	10°C	Sevenoaks	8°C	9°C	12°C	11°C	11°C
Faversham	8°C	11°C	13°C	12°C	12°C	Sittingbourne	8°C	11°C	13°C	12°C	12°C
Folkestone	7°C	9°C	11°C	9°C	10°C	Tonbridge	9°C	11°C	13°C	11°C	11°C
Gillingham	8°C	11°C	13°C	12°C	12°C	Tun Wells	9°C	11°C	13°C	11°C	11°C

## Sarah's big chance to shine on national telly

A SINGER songwriter from the isle has made it through to the latter stages of a national TV music competition.

American singer Sarah Lucy Dole is well known in her hometown of Ramsgate, but will now court a wider audience when she appears on ITV in the televised stages of the Live and Unsigned competition.

The 36-year-old, mum of four, who sings with band Ocean West, has been picked from 10,000 hopefuls to appear on the live semi-finals.

The competition is the largest talent search in the UK outside of the X Factor.

She said: "I am really happy. There are just over a dozen of us left in the competition so I am honoured to have come so far."

Sarah has been performing her own material throughout the competition and is hoping to land the top prize, a recording and management contract with Future Music, a spot on the Live and Unsigned tour and £20,000 of investment in her career.

She is currently studying for a BA Hons in commercial music at Christ Church University campus in Broadstairs.

• See Sarah on ITV on March 30.



HOPEFUL: Sarah Lucy Dole

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### NICK BIDDISS



**Q** How do you think the policeman's role has changed since the late 60s when you were on the beat?

**A** When I joined Panda cars were just coming and policemen were more visible on the streets. For instance you would have to do point duty at junctions, which is now done electronically.

Communications have improved, but before you were in more contact with the people. Although the technology has improved it has made the police more remote from the public. Society is more violent and there is less respect for the police.

Also if an officer was attacked we could rely on the courts to send the attacker to prison. That doesn't happen any more.

**Q** What do you think of the advent of the Police Community Support Officer, who only has limited powers under the law.

**A** If you have a police force it should be properly trained, manned and equipped. There shouldn't be any cheaper half-way houses. The trouble is some senior officers who believe policemen should become social workers.

Other people are qualified to fulfill that role. A policeman's job is to keep the streets safe.

**Q** What do you think about the switch to community sentencing in many cases and some life terms being cut to around ten years?

**A** I think the court system has gone soft. There is now no respect for the law in some quarters. If a copper was killed on duty you

knew the killer would get life. These days they can be let out after a short period. In such a case life must mean life – no half measures.

**Q** Is life on the street more dangerous for a policeman now?

**A** It is because criminals don't seem to be worried about committing violent crime. You also get more women committing crime. It was very rare that you would arrest a woman for any sort of street crime.

**Q** How much have drugs and drink fuelled crime?

**A** Much of the violent crime in our streets is related to drink or drugs. You only have to look at town centres on a weekend to see that. There has always been an element in society who wanted to drink and then have a fight, but it is now more widespread.

Fortunately in Kent we don't have so much of the drug-related violence, but life for the officer on the street will get tougher unless the courts back the police with custodial sentences.

**Q** Do you think police have had a raw deal from the government in the recent wage negotiations?

**A** I felt so strongly about the government breaking their word and eroding the conditions of police service that I took part in the Whitehall march two weeks ago.

The government entered a covenant 30 years ago which governments of both colours

have honoured until now. We are not talking about big bucks here. Most local authorities had actually budgeted for it. The government must be shamed into keeping its word.

I believe services like the police, ambulance and fire brigade should be able to negotiate with the government through an independent body. Once that body rules its ruling should be binding on both sides.

**Q** Do you think high profile criminals like Kenneth Noye, the murderer you brought to trial, attract too much hero worship?

**A** Decent people don't feel valued. There is a culture which says the criminal is the hero and that is fuelling a lack of respect for law and order. Noye is a cold-blooded killer who did his best to avoid justice. He had no compunction about plunging a knife into a young man (Stephen Cameron) who was on a Sunday trip out with his girlfriend. He had no compunction about killing a police officer either.

**Q** Do you keep in touch with Stephen Cameron's family?

**A** We still talk.

**Q** Because you were retired by the time Noye came to trial did you feel marginalised?

**A** Even though I gave evidence at the trial I wasn't involved in any press conferences. It was as if I didn't exist.

**Q & A**

Former Detective Superintendent Nick Biddiss – who put several high-profile villains behind bars, including gangster and M25 road-rage killer Kenneth Noye – spoke to **Ian Read** about his fears for the police force.

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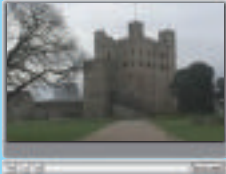


  
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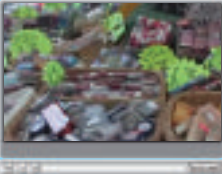
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# Radio 1 extravaganza set for tickets rush

BY JON COATES

A HOST of chart-topping bands are set to descend on the county in May as the UK's biggest free music event comes to town.

BBC Radio 1's Big Weekend will take place on May 10 and 11 at Maidstone Mote Park – after breakfast show host Chris Moyles revealed the venue live from Leeds Castle on Friday morning.

But while the excitement begins to grow, the nerves of music fans are beginning to jangle as they try and nab tickets.

There will be around 20,000 tickets available for each day and the majority will go to those living in the county.

## Demand

Yet the demand is expected to be huge to catch the likes of Scouting for Girls – the first band confirmed for the show and who performed live in Leeds Castle on Moyles' show.

Last year's event in Preston – which featured the likes of the Scissor Sisters, Kasabian, Stereophonics and Razorlight – had a similar capacity and close to half a million people applied for tickets.

With artists and bands set to be added to the bill over the coming week, the clamour for tickets is expected to only increase.

Listeners will be able to apply online for a pair of the sought-after free tickets closer to the time. Postcodes will be used to ensure those living in the county get the best chance of winning tickets.

DJ Chris Moyles said: "The Big Weekend events are one of the highlights of the year."

"I know that sounds like a line, but it's true. I hope everyone gets excited about it and to



**BIG WEEKEND:** DJ Chris Moyles and the Radio 1 team will be promoting the Big Weekend at Mote Park in May

the lucky ones that get tickets, trust me, it'll be the best thing Maidstone sees this year."

Scouting for Girls performed She's So Lovely and Elvis Ain't Dead live from a room inside the historic castle during Moyles' show.

Lead singer and guitarist Roy Stride said:

"We have been playing together for about ten years. We are really proud of what we have done, as we are friends from school."

"To be here on Radio 1 and to have a number one album is unbelievable. We are proud to have done it as friends."

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"We are now putting the album out live and have a number of festival dates coming up, but the Big Weekend will be the start of this."

"Hopefully there will be nice weather. Bring it on Maidstone!"

Jason Carter, Radio 1's editor of live music and events, said: "We are very proud to announce Maidstone as the hosts for our eighth Big Weekend."

"With massive line-ups of some of the biggest artists in the UK and from around the world performing in Mote Park, it'll be a great opportunity for Radio 1 to put a national focus on Maidstone and the South East and all that it has to offer."

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# Soap and water are the answer



**SUPERBUGS:** Clostridium difficile cannot be beaten with alcohols, so soap and water must be used. Microbiologist James Nash, left, says resistance to antibiotics is why MRSA has become so prolific and that a new strain of the bug currently being seen in America could be the next challenge facing the NHS



BY JENNA PUDELEK

SIMPLY washing your hands with alcohol gel or liquid soap and water is the best way to help the county's hardworking doctors and nurses in their battle against killer health-care-acquired infections.

Consultant microbiologist James Nash spoke to KOS Media about the main superbugs – MRSA and Clostridium difficile.

Although different in their transmission and symptoms, all bugs are spread by poor hygiene and overuse of antibiotics.

Dr Nash, who is director of infection prevention and control for East Kent Hospitals NHS Trust, said the original superbug MRSA started to emerge in the 1970s, gradually becoming more common and accelerating in the 90s.

He said during this period the NHS did not pay enough attention to cleaning hospitals and controlling the use of antibiotics.

The situation has improved since reaching a crisis in 2000, but has left a legacy of large numbers of people who are MRSA carriers.

Dr Nash said most people have Staphylococcus (Staph) on their skin, but what makes it MRSA (or methicillin-resistant Staph aureus) is resistance to a lot of antibiotics. It is not dangerous when it lives in areas such as the armpits and nose, but it is more difficult to treat when it gets into infections.

Experts believe around three per cent of the population are MRSA carriers, but the rate of carriage rises to 10 to 20 per cent among the elderly. It causes abscesses and boils, and can lead to blood poisoning. It can be spread on the hands through touching a number of patients.

The best way to kill the bug is alcohol gel hand wash, which is now available in all hospital wards. Infections are treated with special antibiotics.

Dr Nash said the UK is fortunate, at the moment, not to have a significant number of cases of the particularly virulent strain currently affecting America – known as C MRSA.

"These have not appeared in this country in any significant numbers, but they may be the

## THE NEW THREATS

• **Pseudomonas** is a bacterium found in water and can be a problem if medical equipment is not decontaminated properly. Strains can be resistant to antibiotics, making it difficult to treat and manage.

• **ESBL Klebsiella** is an organism associated with urinary tract infections, which used to be easy to treat with antibiotics. Doctors are now encountering a strain that cannot be treated with oral antibiotics and need intravenous therapy.

• **Acinetobacter** is a bug causing problems in intensive care units because it is resistant to antibiotics.

next thing that comes," he said.

Controlling the use of antibiotics is particularly important in tackling the other infamous superbug – Clostridium difficile.

The gut organism attracted unprecedented media attention after a Healthcare Commission investigation found it was responsible for the deaths of at least 90 patients during two outbreaks in 2004 and 2006 at Maidstone and

Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust hospitals.

Antibiotics kill off a lot of the normal bacteria in the stomach, which allows the C diff that might be there in low numbers to grow, producing a very powerful toxin.

Discovered in 1978, C diff was thought to be a normal outcome for patients on antibiotics.

But in 2000 experts became concerned after reports from the US about a more severe strain of the diarrhoea bug that was killing patients.

It was not until 2004, when two outbreaks at Stoke Mandeville Hospital led to 33 deaths, that the strain arrived in the UK.

Coupled with the outbreaks at Maidstone, NHS trusts now take the infection seriously and rates are low across the country, Dr Nash said.

C diff can be treated with antibiotic or probiotic treatments and in some severe cases patients may have to have surgery to repair damaged intestines. However, alcohols do not kill C diff – soap and water are necessary to defeat the bug's spores.

Dr Nash said: "We think we've moved from it [C diff] being endemic to a situation where we have clusters. We think if we can keep it up we won't see high rates of C diff again."

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Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

### SEARCHING MR RIGHT

Lively, attractive female, 30, looking to meet that someone special to share life, laughter and love. Box 429124

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### RAMSATE REVIVAL

Honest, single, outgoing female, 31, 5'11", loves to go out and stay in with good company, dogs, etc. WLTm similar male, for friendship and more. Box 929165

### TRY NEW THINGS

Mum of 1, I'm 5'8", blonde hair, slim, young looking, 34yrs old, I'm caring, honest, with a GSOH. Likes keep fit, cinema, dancing, days out. Box 431559

### CANTERBURY TALE

Single mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out and cinema. Box 060670

### AFRICAN ADVENTURE

African lady, 33, brown eyes, likes socialising with friends, looking for friendship and more. Box 413126

### LESSONS IN LOVE

Young, caring, black African female, 33, school teacher, WLTm caring, honest, loving, open, professional man, 35-50 with good values in life, for something meaningful. Box 401480

### ROMANCE IS ALIVE

Divorced, lively mum, 35, GSOH, enjoys time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813530

### SECOND THAT EMOTION

I'm an attractive, dark-haired female, 36, who enjoys cinema, coffees, theatre and socialising, seeking a fun, caring, considerate, romantic gift, for a chat and more. Box 435607

### TRUST MATTERS

Independent, professional female, 35, 5'7", fit, GSOH, enjoy travelling, cinema, looking for a like-minded, honest and loyal male to share life with. Box 501771

### TRAVEL HAPPY

Medway female, 36, 5'8", blue/green eyes, slim, likes dancing, amateur dramatics, walks, much more, looking for someone who could make me laugh for possible relationship. Box 434372

### WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM LIFE?

36 year old female, divorced with no children, brunet, loves travel, music, cinema, life, very loving and caring. 5'5", studying, seeking someone for dates and more. Rainham. Box 434374

### NICE SMILE???

Single 36yr old female, like most things in life, very loving and caring. 5'5", custody built, good personality, seeking a gentle, considerate man. Box 431286

### SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 36, 5'8", brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

### NICE PERSONALITY

Large, bubbly lady, 37, 5'8", like country walks, seaside, bird watching, all music, looking for that special male for good times. Box 435619

### PRETTY WOMAN WANTS HER RICHARD GERE

Hi I'm 37, 5'8", mossy long hair, grey eyes, n/s, large bubbly lady, love pubs, country walks, hard-working, seeking kind, tactful, n/s, possibly romantic! Box 435674

### JOIN ME BABY

Fun-loving, vivacious woman, early 40s, enjoys dining out, walking, cinema, looking for a confident man with GSOH, n/s for friendship & maybe more. Box 958889

### STRIKE ME!

42, 5'8", slim build, down-to-earth, likes socialising, walking, nights in/out. Would love to meet somebody special to share life's ups and downs with. Paul, call 035102. Box 987101

### HAPPY NATURE

42yr old outgoing female, 5'4", brown hair, green eyes, medium build, enjoy cinema, meals out, seeking a friendly male, n/s. Box 435451

### TAKE A CHANCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156

### SPICE UP YOUR LIFE

Professional Asian lady, 30s very west-end, fun-loving and GSOH, WLTm solvent, professional male with no ties for relationship. Box 435922

### READ ME!

Love, single Mum, 38, 5'4", blonde, slim build, loves socialising, good fun and chatty, WLTm similar male for fun and laughter, maybe leading to LTR. Box 929165

### DO NOT PASS ME

Cute, single mum of 4, 37, Kent based, into most things, looking for friendship or possibly romance. Box 897953

### YOUR TIME IS COMING

38yr old bubbly, affectionate woman with a lively personality, 5'5", like reading, walks, pubs, looking for a friendly chap for good times and more. Box 435684

### HUGS AND LAUGHS AND CUDDLES

Honest, sincere female, 38, gosh, live with my children, love a laugh, looking for friendship and hugs with a nice gent. Box 896649

### SECURE FUTURE

Honest, caring lady, attractive, from Turbidge Wells, 37, hazy-eyes, curly, 5'8", with a GSOH, many interests, clubs, cooking, cosy nights, looking for stocky male, 35-45. Box 424364

### THE EYES HAVE IT

Attractive, trendy, outgoing, warm female, 30, dark brown eyes are a big feature, curvy but slim, like country pubs etc. WLTm spontaneous male for LTR. Box 404329

### GET IT TOGETHER

Kind, caring, spiritual lady, 39, 5'4", average build, hazy puppy-dog eyes, brown hair, looking for genuine, honest guy, non-smoker, friendship first. Box 896694

### THE WONDER OF YOU

38yr old woman, looking to share happy moments with a loving, caring guy. Box 435380

### ROMANCE IS ALIVE

Divorced, lively mum, 35, GSOH, enjoys time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813530

### SECOND THAT EMOTION

I'm an attractive, dark-haired female, 36, who enjoys cinema, coffees, theatre and socialising, seeking a fun, caring, considerate, romantic gift, for a chat and more. Box 435607

### MUST HAVE GSOH AND BE ABLE TO COOK!

Down-to-earth, kind and caring, separated, strong-willed Scottish mum, 39, looking for fun, tactile, cute and considerate male who likes noise and chaos. Box 897191

### YOUNG-AT-HEART

Attractive 38yr old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy physique, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving, fun male, for friendship/relationship. Box 901893

### LET'S GET TOGETHER

Hi, I'm Paula, 38, 5'2", with a good nature, looking for fun and someone to go out and have a laugh with. Box 435244

### LOOKING FOR THE SAME

Black female, 38, 5'8", have children, like life, very loving and caring. 5'5", custody built, good personality, seeking a gentle, considerate man. Box 431286

### MAKE ME GIGGLE

Black female, 38 years old, 5'2", likes going out, seeking a sociable male, who likes having a laugh. Gillingham. Box 429556

### THE WIT TO WOOL!

Kent female, 38, 5'7", dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks lively, caring male, for friendship & more. Box 435619

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### BACK TO NATURE

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### ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT?

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### PUTTER IN YOUR HANDS!

Spooky female, 50, Hastings-based, 5'8", blonde/blue, enjoys golf, walking, socialising, eating out, WLTm fun-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5'10", to share life's ups and downs. Box 165367

### BIG HEART

New to the area, I'm female, 50, with blonde hair blue eyes, 5'8", Seeking nice, outgoing guy who likes meals out, travel, nights in, cinema. Box 437028

### IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED...

Hello, I'm 35, 5'11", brown eyes, grey hair, a widow, been in a bad relationship so looking for my soulmate, enjoys walks, socialising and more. Box 436991

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Melvis, 44, looking for an understanding, sensitive man, enjoys music and being adventurous. Box 431913

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Useful, intelligent, caring female, 62, young looking/active, like walks, music, cooking, seeking sensitive, caring, uncomplicated male, N/S, perhaps a dog owner, for friendship first. Box 434345

### KEEPER DANCING

Brunette lady, 61, looking for a LTR, friendship first, any age considered. Interests: dancing walking, socialising, cuddling! Margate. Box 432246

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40yr old young-at-heart female, 5'8", blonde/blue, enjoys golf, walking, socialising, eating out, WLTm fun-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5'10", to share life's ups and downs. Box 165367

### BE MY SALVATION

68yr old recently retired secretary, 5'9", shoulder length blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys theatre, walking, out, member of many clubs, WLTm male with similar interests. Box 435927

### ARE WE SOUL MATES?

53yr old bubbly lady, fit, like meals out, staying in, looking for a caring man to share life's ups and downs. Box 435768

### LAST CHANCE?

Lively understanding female, 51, large build, WLTm genuine, loving male, 46-58, for lasting, loving relationship. Deal/Faversham. Box 399271

### DEATH?

Sue, 55yrs young, fit, cuddly, honest, easygoing, GSOH, enjoys reading, films and a glass of wine! seeking like-minded male, Deal area, for friendship, perhaps more! Box 896588

### STARTING OVER

Black female, 55, 5'8", green eyes, brown hair, medium build, GSOH, I like eating out, cinema, driving, music, holidays, seeking friendship, seek what develops. Box 897592

### LIKES THE NICE THINGS IN LIFE

Divorced female, 50s, 5'4", own home, great job and friends, likes to keep fit, hobbies include shopping, cooking, dining out, theatre/cinema, holidays, seeking friendship and more. Box 434901

### LIKE TO ENJOY LIFE

Happy-go-lucky female, 57, likes nice walks, pub/cubs, quite nights in, loves children and animals, seeking an honest, caring man. Box 435308

### THE CAT THAT GETS THE CREAM

Hi I'm Jackie, 58, 5'8", blue eyes, fun-loving, down-to-earth and considerate, love horses, seeking male 58-65 who loves music and animals to be my soul-mate. Box 436328

### BARNEL OF LAUGHS

I'm 30, from Ashford, happy-go-lucky, work hard, have a 2yr old daughter, seeking similar fun-loving lady for friendship, getting to know you. Box 434516

### RECIPE FOR ROMANCE

Single male, 32, easy-going, 6'2", dark hair blue eyes, black hair/brun eyes, works in London, own home/car and a motorbike! I'm a family guy and also enjoy going out/socialising. Box 435881

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### THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

Widowed woman, 61, no ties, positive outlook, kind nature with GSOH, like the usual things and would like to find a male counterpart. Box 431210

### NEW FOUNDATIONS

Solvent, cuddly female, 59, 5'11", love the countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 55-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179

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### seeking women

#### PASSIONATE SCORPIO

Scorpio female, 48, blue eyes, very feminine, loves music, animals, reading, writing, starts, very genuine, meals inviting, seeking boyish male who's loving and caring. Box 433132

#### WRITTEN IN THE STARS

Capricorn female, 48, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, GSOH, caring, animal lover, into DIY, sports, reading, WLTm someone in Maidstone area. Box 434547

#### DANCING IN THE STREET

Scorpio female, 42, 5'8", dark hair, blonde, likes music, dancing, eating out, seeking like-minded female, for fun and more. Box 435191

#### COOL, CALM & COLLECTED

Romantic Pisces, 39, enjoys finer things in life, seeking genuine female, to enhance my world and enjoy life with. Box 409494

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Blond, blue-eyed male, 42, slim, likes running, cycling, cinema, travel, music, active lady, eating out, seeking an active lady with similar interests. Box 435292

#### HERE'S TO LOOKING FORWARD!

Hello you, if you're fed up with looking back at the past and wondering 'what if?' I'm 41 and I'm your man! Box 309888



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## Environmental damage is nucleus of power problem

SO British Energy support the government's plan to build more nuclear power stations; there's a surprise.

To paraphrase the famous comment by Mandy Rice-Davies during the infamous Profumo scandal of 1963: "well, they wouldn't they".

I never thought I would witness a Labour government advocating the building of more nuclear power stations, or, worse, renewing Trident. But then I never thought I'd ever witness any British government pursuing such needless, expensive and dangerous policies.

Everybody in what we still hold to be our free society is entitled to their own opinion, and mine is that nuclear power is one of the greatest confidence tricks ever foisted on human society.

The whole nuclear power industry was set up to produce material for use in nuclear weapons. It was never conceived as, or intended to be, an economical way to produce electricity, and the problems of decommission-

ing power stations and dealing with the waste were deliberately ignored.

I am not alone by any means in this opinion. Here are some of the thoughts on the subject from well-known pressure groups who have been proved right on many subjects in the past 50 years. These are the kind of organisations that have made us aware of the threat to whales, the dangers of weapons of mass destruction, the cruel treatment of farm animals, and indeed, global warming itself, among other things.

GREENPEACE: Even if Britain built ten new reactors, nuclear power can only deliver a four per cent cut in carbon emissions some time after 2025. Even the Government admits this (Sustainable Development Commission figure). It's too little too late at too high a price.

CND: Nuclear power is not the answer to climate change – in fact, even if we doubled the amount of nuclear power in the UK there would only be an eight per cent reduction in greenhouse gases. It is neither carbon emission free nor would new power stations come on stream for at least ten years. It threatens the environment and people's health.

No safe solution has yet been devised to store its carcinogenic toxic radioactive waste, some of which is dangerous for thousands of years. It also leaves us vulnerable to the possibility of nuclear accidents or even terrorist attack.

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH director, Tony Juniper: "The decision to encourage the construction of new nuclear stations in the UK is both irrational and unfortunate. It is irrational because the economics do not stack up and because renewables and energy efficiency could meet our needs more quickly and sustainably. It is unfortunate because the nuclear option will limit our ability to lead in the exciting and fast growing new markets for modern energy sources. And that is bad news for the UK economy and jobs".

Much more has been said, and will be said, on the subject. But remember, it is unlikely we will have to pay for this folly; those who come after us certainly will.

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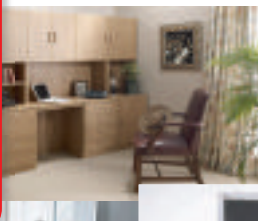
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# yourmusic

## Meet the intergalactic rock stars

BY GARETH ARNOLD

DRAWING inspiration from the wartime disasters and relics of a violent past, the Sons of Alpha Centauri are far from your average local band.

And with the assistance of director Ben Brown, the Sheppey-based four piece have created a haunting animated

video to accompany their dark and mesmerising rock sound.

Named after the brightest star in the constellation Centaurus, the third brightest star visible from Earth, the talented and thought-provoking band attracted the attention of independent record label Sound Devastation Records more than two years ago.

Their self-titled debut album has been a long time coming, and gigs have been few and far between with the band preferring studio to stage.

But this has not stopped them building a rep-

utation as one of the South East's leading purveyors of ambient and conceptual stoner rock, with a very local flavour.

Just 300 metres off the coast from where the band practice and record is a sunken American cargo ship called the SS Richard Montgomery, which contains 1,400 tons of TNT. Government reports have warned the World War Two relic could explode, smashing every window in Sheerness and sending a 20ft wave up the Thames.

### Projections

Guitarist Nick Hannon said: "When the band started and we were looking around for concepts we were very into the idea of being influenced by your immediate surroundings."

"We looked around Sheppey and realised there was all this derelict World War Two stuff nobody knew about – the forts, the Richard Montgomery, the abandoned submarine base – and decided to build a concept around that."

"Ben Brown is a longstanding contributor; we've always tried to include the work of

local artists under the umbrella of the band, and it all came together when he had to do his third year of his animation degree at Ravensbourne College.

"He had to do a project about isolation and I sent him seven CDs of photos of the forts, the Montgomery and other stuff. The man in it represents him, it's semi-autobiographical."

The video was nominated for best film at the Royal Art Project show in London, and Ben now works for a visual design company up in London.

The band has always been interested in more than just the music, seeking to make Sons of Alpha Centauri a complete sensory experience. To this end they have employed computer-generated projections at several gigs, meshing sound and images together to create an immersive audio-visual experience for their growing numbers of fans.

Nick said: "We've always believed the visual aspect is important. As the music is instrumental, it leaves people free to make their own interpretations of it, which is cool, but the visuals are a guiding light."

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## TALK TIME

### JOHN WORROW

Cllr John Worrow, leader of Thanet Independent Action party tells us what he likes about the Isle



#### Who or what brings you to Thanet?

I was born in Bexleyheath and came to live in Thanet with my family when I was ten. Before living here I used to go on holiday to the seaside at St Mildred's Bay. It was all so magical back then.

I spent some of the best days of my life at Minnis Bay, where I became part of the Bay's water sport community, enjoying windsurfing, sailing and fishing. It was back then that I had the privilege of knowing some of Thanet's great characters, like the late Cllr Sid Barry, who inspired me to become a councillor.

#### What do you like about Thanet?

It has so much to offer, but a place that is magical to me is 'Plum Pudding Island' as it is known in Minnis Bay. If you follow the cycle path towards Reculver Towers, it's between the sea and a stream. I go jogging there early in the morning. The only time I took a break last year was during council elections, when I got more than enough exercise knocking on doors.

#### What do you do in your spare time?

Having spent most of my life by the sea, I enjoy sailing and fishing. However, since last year's elections I have had little time to do either with most of my time balanced between my business interests, being a parish councillor and my work as the Independent Action Party's leader.

#### Are there any aspects of the area you dislike?

The overdevelopment that is taking place without adequate improvements being made infrastructure. Congestion due to traffic jams in other parts of the country was one of the reasons a number of businesses decided to come to Thanet in the first place. It appears that not enough thought is given when planning decisions are made. There is also insensitivity to maintaining the character of our environment and often a blatant disregard to the wishes of the community by those who control Thanet District Council.

## YOUR LETTERS



### Binmen don't know how lucky they are

I was sad to see the threat of rubbish collections being suspended in your paper last week.

I recognise that people have the right to withdraw their labour in a reasonable effort to gain recognition for their union rights to negotiate for pay.

But I can't help feeling that in this day and age, those rubbish collectors who are employed by the council directly should think themselves lucky.

The council says it has recognized the GMB and the employees should actually consider themselves lucky to be working for a council. Those working in the contracted private sector have nowhere near the benefits of council employees.

Charlotte Symes,  
by email

### Tories are whipped up into a frenzy

For some time I have noticed Cllr



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John Garland, chairman of Birchington Parish Council, hopping up and down over the perfectly democratic activities of

Cllr John Worrow leader of Independent Action. In Cllr Garland's latest floundering, he also seems

obsessed with my standing as an Independent and joining Independent Action, that is completely in line with my position of not belonging to a party that has a "whip" on its members.

What the expression whip really means is that councillors etc must toe the party line irrespective of the needs of those they have been elected to represent.

Independent Action is a party that does not have a whip, which is why it is attracting those that are rightly disillusioned by major party dogma, hypocrisy and broken promises.

The Standards Board of England confirms "there is no legal restriction placed on parish councillors which prevents them from standing as representatives of a political party."

I can confirm that for years politics have played a major role in Birchington Parish Council. That is, you are welcome to stand so long as you are Conservative.

The former Conservative agent was in considerable conflict with many candidates at election time for he was insisting that they should stand for what they were, ie "Conservatives" and not as Independents. He soon left. Even worse was when someone dared to stand as Labour. The smelling salts were out.

Cllr Garland really does seem to be getting remarkably hot under the collar because Birchington Parish Council is showing an interesting level of democratic accountability.

Some find it difficult to accept the wind of change and I can understand their anguish and concern when their cosy parochial cartel starts to feel the threat of democratic progress.

Of course it's perfectly reasonable for the TDC Conservatives to welcome the successful Ramsgate First candidate into their group. Nevertheless, we must pray

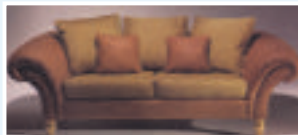
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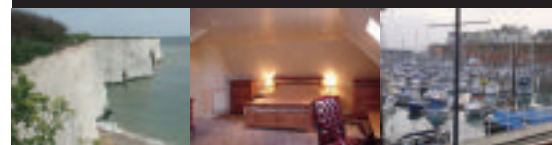
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that hypocrisy will cease to rear its ugly head and the move to true democracy prevails.

**Cllr Dr Jack Cohen,**  
Chairman of Independent Action.  
Leslie Road, Birchington.

## Give skills to help change people's lives

One of the proudest days of my life was my 21st birthday when I completed my apprenticeship and finally became an electrical craftsman.

The qualifications and skills that the five-year apprenticeship gave me set me up for another 20 years of well-paid, interesting and varied employment across Kent, working in virtually every kind of environment from the dark depths of an underground nuclear attack bunker, to the glorious roof of Canterbury Cathedral.

I am therefore delighted that the Government has published its plans to expand and strengthen the provision of apprenticeships and to make them a mainstream option for today's young people.

The quality of training is of utmost importance and I'm reassured to know we now have proper inspection of apprenticeships and technical learning, which was sadly missing a decade ago.

Training and skills lift young people's aspirations, and when my 21st birthday came along it wasn't just my craftsman status that I was celebrating. On the same day, this young lad, born and raised in a council house, opened his new front door for the first time as a fully mortgaged homeowner.

Skills and knowledge are the keys

that unlock so many doors and I ask any business people who may be reading to seriously consider taking on an apprentice and change someone's life.

**Cllr Clive Hart (Labour)**  
KCC Member for Margate and Cliftonville

## Go online to help rehome needy cats

Are there any readers of Yourthanet who care about cats, have time and skills available and who would like to be a trustee of a very successful small charity based in Ramsgate?

Cat Chat is an internet-based cat rescue support charity which helps cat rescue centres across the UK to find good homes for rescued cats and kittens through its innovative 24-hour Virtual Cat Shelter.

Cat Chat helps both the smaller rescues and branches of the more well-known rescue organisations.

Our site [www.catchat.org](http://www.catchat.org) receives some 200,000 visitors a month and finds homes for well over 5,000 homeless cats each year.

However with so many abandoned cats waiting to be homed nationwide, there is enormous potential to expand Cat Chat's continuing success.

Therefore we are appealing for three new trustees to join our small and friendly board, to help steer the charity's future.

Candidates should have a connection to the internet, a concern for animals and their welfare, and some spare time to devote to helping Cat Chat achieve its aims.

We would particularly like to hear from people with experience of fund-raising and marketing, or any other business skills. Experience of

working in the charitable sector would be helpful. Please remember Cat Chat is an internet-based charity, trustees are not directly involved with the animals.

Take a look at our work in action on [www.catchat.org](http://www.catchat.org). If you might be interested in being a trustee, then please get in touch via email ([cats@catchat.org](mailto:cats@catchat.org)) and tell us how you would hope to contribute. Please include a telephone number.

**Maggie Owens, chairman, Cat Chat, Ramsgate**

## Local needs should be put before party

As our council tax bills get bigger, KCC staff between them are getting a £9.1 million pay rise.

This comes at a time when a considerable amount of tax-payers' money is being spent on projects like the council's broadband TV station run by Bob Geldof's Ten Alps. Despite the possible damage Mr Geldof has done recently to Thanet, his company is no doubt doing very well out of this.

It is unlikely situations such as this will change with national parties running local councils.

I would like to see central government contribute more to our councils, but even then we couldn't be sure they would listen to residents and use the funds for the things local people really need.

The so-called political elite have been having their own way with our hard-earned money for long enough – the time has come for the island's people to come together and put local priorities before national party loyalties.

**Cllr John Worrow**  
Leader, Independent Action Thanet

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**01227 470703****yourthanetleisure****Unique Brand of comedy is still joy to see****TV star Jo rolls in for sure fire sell-out**

ONE of the country's leading comedienne will be paying a welcome visit to Kent this spring.

During the last two decades, Jo Brand has become a successful stand-up, author and broadcaster, as well as an immensely popular TV personality. Tickets are expected to sell out fast, so book yours now to avoid missing this comedic treat.

Brand, 50, was born in Hastings and educated at Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School, before embarking on a career in the caring profession. Her mother was a social worker and Brand famously worked as a psychiatric nurse before discovering her talent for making people laugh.

An agent persuaded her to try her luck on the alternative comedy circuit, where she earned a cult following with the pseudonym The Sea Monster. Her droll, almost bored style of delivery combined with perceptive and cutting one-liners were a huge hit in the clubs, which led to her becoming a resident panellist on the 1993 BBC show The Brain Drain.

She then landed her own Channel 4 series, Jo Brand Through The Cakehole, which established her in the mainstream as one of the country's favourite female comics.

During the 80s and 90s, her distinctive image – big hair, dark clothes and Doc Marten boots – went hand in hand with her heavily feminist material. Pet topics included sexism and prejudice against fat people, but the perceptive quality of her jokes made her just as popular with men and thin people.

Since becoming a wife and mother to two daughters, Brand's humour has evolved and now takes in marriage, family life and the challenges of getting older. She has also branched out from stand-up, becoming a popular semi-regular panellist on the intelligent panel game QI and fulfilling an ambition by appearing on Countdown in the Dictionary Corner.

With her dry and razor-sharp wit, she often leaves younger male comedians speechless on programmes such as Never Mind The Buzzcocks and Have I Got News For You.

Her hilarious appearances on

**GENIUS:** Jo Brand has been making us laugh with her cutting one-liners for over 20 years

Comic Relief Does Fame Academy and Comic Relief Does The Apprentice won even more fans of all ages. She even endured being made over by Trinny and Susannah in a special episode of What Not To Wear four years ago, the old black leggings and Doc Martens having been ditched in favour of more feminine clothes.

A poll by Channel 4 named her the

22nd best stand-up ever and the second highest ranking woman in the chart, beaten only by Victoria Wood.

The show starts at 8pm and tickets cost £15. Call 01622 758611 or see [www.hazlitttheatre.co.uk](http://www.hazlitttheatre.co.uk).

**JO BRAND**

Monday, April 21

Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone

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## BIG SKY BEACH CROSS FESTIVAL

Saturday, February 23 and Sunday, February 24  
Margate Sands

GET ready for the adrenaline rush when the UK's top quad and motorcross racers return to Thanet next weekend.

The Big Sky Beach Cross Festival will be bringing high speed excitement and spectacle back to Margate, following its hugely successful debut last year. Watch the highly skilled riders negotiate the twists, turns and bumps in the mile-long track as they compete to be crowned 2008 QRA Margate Big Sky Beach Cross Champions.

Last year's event attracted 12,000 spectators and motor sport fans will be able to view this year's action from the promenade as the com-



petitors battle it out on the sands. Organised by the Quad Racing Association and Margate Town Partnership, with support from Thanet Council, the two-day event will also feature funfair rides and food stalls.

Racing gets underway at

10.30am on both days, with the grand finale taking place on Sunday. There will also be the chance to meet the racers and their machines in the paddock area, near the clock tower.

For more information, log onto [www.visitthanet.co.uk](http://www.visitthanet.co.uk) or [www.qraq.uk](http://www.qraq.uk).



## KILL CARTEL

Friday, February 22  
Sugar Complex, Margate

visiting Margate as part of a UK tour to promote new album All That Glitters. Members of local bands Tortilla Army and Breed are part of the new band Fool Fighters, a tribute to the legendary Foo Fighters. It will be their first show, but it promises to be a brilliant

performance.

Local heroes The 3rd Half and Vanity Shot will be opening the show, which is for over-14s only. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start and tickets cost £4/£3 in advance or £5 on the door. For more information, call 01843 571684 / 280080, email [westcoastbar1@aol.co.uk](mailto:westcoastbar1@aol.co.uk) or visit the website at [www.myspace.com/anarchy-attheseaside](http://www.myspace.com/anarchy-attheseaside).

## KEVIN TOMLINSON

Sunday, February 24  
The Memorial Theatre, Broadstairs

LIFE'S most challenging questions will be posed – and possibly answered – in Seven Ages with Kevin Tomlinson.

Using masks and improvisation, Tomlinson takes stories from his own life and that of his audience to explore the 'big themes' of human experience. Why are we here? What is important in our lives?

Blending hilarious comedy with serious theatre, he has created a unique and exciting style that has won critical plaudits in countries around the world. Based around the Bard's idea in As You Like It that there are seven ages of life – infancy, childhood, lover, soldier, wisdom, retirement and old age – Tomlinson's show has been described as "Shakespeare meets Whose Line Is It Anyway?"

Tomlinson has worked alongside legendary improvisation teacher Keith Johnstone and regularly teaches improvisation at London's National Theatre.

The performance starts at 5pm at the the-



atre in Hilderstone. Tickets cost £8 for members of the Sarah Thorne Theatre Club and £10 for non-members, who must book tickets at least 24 hours in advance.

To book call 0845 262 6263 or find out more information online at [www.sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk](http://www.sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk).

## THANET LEISURE

### Martin Young will be entertaining folk

FAVERSHAM singer/songwriter Martin Young will be entertaining Island Folk Club on Monday (Feb 25).

Since it was formed in July 2007, the club has gone from strength to strength. Young is the latest in a long line of great acts presented at the monthly meetings upstairs at Bradstow Mill in High Street, Broadstairs.

For details, call Ian or Mandy on 01843 603827 or visit [www.myspace.com/island-folkclub](http://www.myspace.com/island-folkclub).

### Police club's new show is full of merry men

THANET Police Pantomime Club celebrates nine years of raising money for charity with The Misadventures of Robin Hood.

Meet the eponymous hero, the lovely Maid Marion and the dastardly Sheriff of Nottingham when the show is staged at the Theatre Royal Margate from Thursday (Feb 21) to Saturday (Feb 23).

Performances start at 2.30pm and 7.30pm and tickets cost £8/£6. Call the box office on 01227 787787 or buy at the door an hour before the show starts.

### Pantomime is full of happiness in Ramsgate

CHILDREN can join in the fun with the Simple Simon Happiness Show in Ramsgate on Thursday and Friday (Feb 21 & 22).

The pantomime style show will offer lots of opportunities to join in and get involved with the happy antics. Doors open at the Granville Theatre in Victoria Parade at 2pm for a 2.30pm start.

Tickets cost £5. To find out more, call 01843 591750.

### Find your way to the Compass Club for a gig

DON'T miss the chance to see Nazca Lines play live at the Compass Club in Ramsgate this weekend.

Having triumphed at The Albany Charity all-day event at Margate's Britannia last summer, the band is a special act to see live. The gig, presented by Live-n-Direct Promotions, starts at the club in High Street at 9pm and admission costs £4.

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Saturday 23 February  
Karaoke once a month.

### Sheldons Freehouse

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Thursday 28 February  
Quiz Night and Curry Night £7.95 per head

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Saturday 23 February  
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Thursday 28 February  
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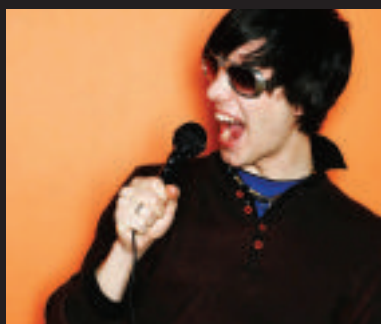
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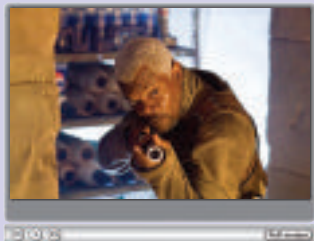
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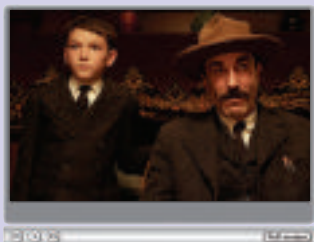
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# It's not cuckoo to write a list

BY ELLIE GENOWER

Having turned 70 last year, Jack Nicholson may well have mortality on his mind already.

If not, his latest movie *The Bucket List* was bound to do the job – it follows two seriously ill men who make a list of things to do before they 'kick the bucket'.

"I think fear of death and fear of the unknown motivates people not to live in the now," says Jack, sunglasses, as usual, fixed in place.

"I always mistrusted someone who said they didn't want to live forever. I changed my mind when I thought to myself, the real question is not whether you want to live forever, but do you want to live forever at the expense of your children? Because if suddenly people stopped dying, we'd have a real ecological problem on our hands."

These days, Jack doesn't do a lot of movies, averaging about one a year since 2000.

Having reached pensionable age with three Oscars to his name, there's not much left for the star to prove – and he knows it. But *The Bucket List* offered him the chance to work with Morgan Freeman, an actor he has long admired.

"We've known one another a long time," admits Jack. "Morgan and I very much wanted to work together. Sometimes things are great and filming this was one of those times. We both had a lot of awareness of one another. It was a reaffirmation."

*The Bucket List* also offered Jack the chance to work with director Rob Reiner again, who was at the helm during Jack's legendary performance as Marine Colonel Nathan Jessop in *A Few Good Men*, alongside Tom Cruise.

After Jack's character, millionaire Edward Cole, meets Morgan's, mechanic Carter Chambers, in hospital, the pair become unlike-

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ly friends and opt to use Edward's cash to make their 'bucket list'.

This sees them jet round the world on an exhaustive trip seeing landmarks like the pyramids in Egypt and the Great Wall of China, and indulging in skydiving, car racing and getting a tattoo, all with the aid of Jack's long suffering assistant Thomas (Sean Hayes).

But of course, the trip isn't just about two men having the time of their lives. They also have to deal with long-forgotten personal issues.

Says Jack: "What I like about the tone of this movie, and my character, is, it's not sentimental, but it has sentiment."

Mention Jack's own personal bucket list, and his thoughts turn to actors he'd like to work with.

"We've all got a bucket list," he admits. "I can't work with Marilyn Monroe, so she's off the list. But there are a lot of people. I was thinking about it last night because people are



STILL HERE: Jack Nicholson hasn't kicked the bucket yet

always asking me which young actors I like.

"I'm categorically against making up lists like that because somebody's always annoyed, so I never answer. But I thought, 'No, I'm going to do this different. I'm going to write out a long list of people, be it Nick Cage or Joaquin Phoenix'.

"Incidentally, it's a pretty long list."

So, after an acting career which has spanned several decades and given him more adulation, awards and acclaim than most actors can only dream of, does Jack have any regrets?

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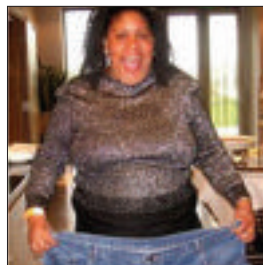
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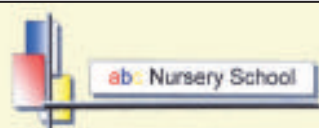
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Other fragrances, including Calvin Klein and Lacoste, are starting at £19.50. Visit your local branch in Margate, Broadstairs or Ramsgate to snap up a bottle.

### Boys can bag a bargain as Topman cuts prices

TOPMAN are letting fashionable men's T-shirts sell from £5.

Granddad, v neck, and polo styles are all included in the final clearance as well as more traditional, round neck tees.

Hoodies and sweatshirts are selling from £8 and dark toned cardigans, a staple of last season, start at £10.

The store's website at [www.topman.co.uk](http://www.topman.co.uk) is a great place to view the range but the branch at Westwood Cross is stocking a selection.

### It's play time with some great offers at station

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### Book yourself in for some topical reads

TOPICAL reads are retailing at less than their original price at Waterstones.

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### BBC TWO

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**SUNDAY: AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 GARDENS (9pm):** Monty Don continues his journey taking in the 80 most inspiring gardens in the world.

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**SATURDAY: ANT AND DEC'S SATURDAY NIGHT TAKEAWAY (7.30pm):** Actress Uma Thurman is the Guest Announcer. David Dickinson and his wife Lorne take on the Georgie duo in Beat the Boys.  
**SUNDAY: LEWIS (9pm):** A new series of the crime drama sees Inspector Morse's former sidekick investigating the death of a maintenance engineer at the Bodleian Library.

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**SATURDAY: ER (7pm):** On a sweltering day the power falls across the city and the ER at Chicago's County General Hospital fills up with patients.  
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**SUNDAY: ICE ROAD TRUCKERS (8pm):** Documentary series examining the lucrative but highly dangerous job of driving trucks on Canada's notorious ice highway.

# Ainsley cooks up a feast of afternoon laughter

BY GEMMA QUADE

WHEN you think of Ready, Steady, Cook presenter Ainsley Harriott, you probably picture a bundle of boundless energy, all flamboyant enthusiasm and hearty chuckles.

Off the television, the chef is a little more sedate – but not much. On the morning we speak, he's had a tough week of filming and a very late night, but he's still as jolly as ever.

"People always think I'm this zany character. It's always me or Lenny Henry," the 50-year-old says with a large grin. "But I think I just see the funny side of life, I don't see the negative side, and I think that's a very good energy to be around."

He does admit that today he is extremely tired, but will be filming more episodes of Ready, Steady, Cook later in the afternoon.

"We've been in the studio for four days last week and four days this week, and it just catches up with you. But Dr Showbiz takes over and you get on with it."

"You have to keep the energy going because it's an afternoon show and everybody wants to have that little lift!"

Ainsley always knew he wanted a career in food and being able to combine that with television has been a dream come true for him as he also has a background in performing.

As a young man, in addition to training in the kitchen, he performed in numerous comedy clubs, even once doing a turn on the stage of The London Palladium.

"It was a great way of subsidising my income," he remembers. "The catering business is really bad to start with, so having the ability to go out and do a bit of work in comedy and perform with a few friends was great."



**GOOD TASTE:** Ainsley Harriott confesses he often wants to get stuck in when the chefs start cooking

"I was hanging out with Jack Dee, Alan Davies, Arthur Smith, Lee Evans, the list goes on. I'm in a room with these guys, watching these talented geniuses do their thing, and I'm there with a very mediocre double act called the Calypso Twins," he says with that trademark cackle. "But it was brilliant, I loved it."

His first foray into television came when he was made resident chef on Good Morning With Anne And Nick, which led to more work on Can't Cook, Won't Cook, and Ready, Steady, Cook. Then, when Fern Britton left the latter programme, Ainsley was asked to take over as presenter.

"It was pretty daunting," he recalls. "It was

dramatically different from being one of the chefs."

While he loves taking on the role of host, Ainsley reveals he's sometimes itching to get involved with the food and has to stop himself advising the other chefs what to make from the bags of ingredients brought in by the day's celebs.

"I find it so frustrating," he groans. "Sometimes I want to strangle them and say, 'How could you do that to that lovely vegetable?' But it's their gig."

Of course, Ainsley is not alone in thinking he can do better than the other chefs, they are, let's not forget, an extremely competitive breed – and apparently that element of their nature is clearly visible for all to see backstage.

"Oh they are very competitive," Ainsley grins. "Especially the established ones who have been there for a while like Nick Nairn and Paul Rankin. It's terrible when those two are up against each other. They are almost pushing their fingers into each other's chests behind the scenes before they come out! It's a gladiatorial battleground!"

And those battles are not just reserved for Ready, Steady, Cook. Talk to any celebrity chef and it seems they've got some sort of beef with at least one of their peers. Although Ainsley doesn't join in this banter, he's been on the receiving end of a tongue lashing from Gordon Ramsay, who once said, "He's not a serious chef, he's a comedian."

But while Ainsley may never have owned a restaurant, he does run a catering business, and says life as a restaurateur never really appealed to him.

"I was a bit nervous about it," he explains. "I always felt I was going to be locked in with no escape."



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## Explore a lakeside retreat

BY HANNAH STEPHENSON

Driving along the precarious winding roads and through tunnels cut into the jagged mountains reminded me of a scene from *The Italian Job*.

But it wasn't a Mini we were travelling in, the location wasn't Turin and Michael Caine was nowhere to be seen. In fact, we were doing a circuit of Lake Garda, Italy's largest lake, which lies in the foothills of the Dolomites in the north of the country.

Lake Garda, peppered with a mixture of elaborate hotels, pebble beaches and beautiful towns against a stunning mountainous backdrop, has plenty on offer for the discerning traveller.

Thankfully, unlike other popular resorts, architects haven't dug into the spectacular hillside to create holiday apartments or commercial villages. The scenery varies enormously, from the craggy mountains of the north, to the rich vineyards of the middle reaches and the gentle plains which back the southern shores.

We were staying at Europa Silvea, a pretty campsite near Salo, on the south west of the lake, shaded by olive trees.

Our drive north took us past Salo through tree-lined roads alongside picturesque towns including Gardone Riviera and Gargnano and, almost at the tip of the lake, to the more commercial town of Limone, where you can hire



**WHAT A VIEW:** As the Cote D'Azur of Italy, Lake Garda isn't a cheap holiday, but it is beautiful

pedalos, go for a swim or even catch a car ferry across the lake to Malcesine, also known as the Riviera of Olives, which was loved by many celebrated writers and artists, most notably Goethe.

Many of the campsites around Lake Garda (and there are a lot of them) are situated on the hillside and enjoy stunning views of the lake. We were able to access the lake from our campsite for a swim and to just watch the world go by.

Lake Garda, which lies around half way between Venice and Milan, was formed by glaciers at the end of the last ice age and is divided between the regions of Lombardy, Trentino and the Veneto.

It may have an alpine setting, but the temperature is like the Mediterranean as the lake acts as a gigantic solar panel, with a ring of mountains retaining the heat.

It's 98 miles around the lake, so you can drive around it in a day, although we were keen to explore the many gorgeous villages and towns on its banks. To the north nearer the mountains it is windier and narrower, just two miles across at its narrowest point, and that's where much of the sailing and windsurfing takes place.

Further south there's still a plethora of water-based activities, from water skiing and jet skiing to scuba diving and fishing.

If you are going to drive, I would recommend hiring a small car rather than a big people carrier because parking can be tricky close to the lake in the height of season.

The best mode of travel for me, however, was the ferry. You can get to major towns across the lake this way, without the hassle of traffic or parking, although it is quite pricey – around 60 Euros (£42) for a half-hour trip for a family of four.

I have to say that eating out in Lake Garda is not cheap for families unless you live on shared pizzas. It is the Cote D'Azur of Italy, so expect to pay accordingly.

We found the Italians extremely child-friendly, the water cleaner than a lot of the Mediterranean and the ambience stylish but relaxed.

All in all, the perfect Italian job.

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BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)

A SOURCE of income could come to an end and it could put you in a bit of a panic. Instead of concentrating on your lack of material resources, count your blessings. Staying focused on the good things in your life. This sounds simplistic, but it's really true.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)

ALL things must come to an end and this week you should be saying farewell to a group, club or organisation that's been a great help to you in the past. Those who know and love you best will be encouraging and supportive, but there will be some sour grapes from certain people.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)

IT may be a surprise to find you can't depend on someone close. You need to stand on your own two feet. The important thing is to claim your personal power. Some people may feel threatened by your decision, but if they care for your well-being your relationship will survive.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Leo** 09067-531756



**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)

YOU could hear news of an impending birth. Even though everybody else is wild with excitement, you're a little concerned. It's sobering to realise that your carefree days are coming to an end and only right to mourn this loss of independence. You're entering a new season of life.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Scorpio** 09067-531759



**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)

YOU'RE in the driver's seat where relationships are concerned. The time has come for you to take the lead and deal decisively with those issues that are preying on your mind and undermining your happiness. There are tough decisions ahead so keep your eye on your goal.

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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)

YOUR work situation may force you to think about making a move. It's up to you to take the initiative and start putting your own plans and ideas into practice. This is a time of great opportunities especially if you want to rid yourself of anyone or anything that's holding you back.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Gemini** 09067-531754



**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)

YOU won't be able to hide your feelings so don't even try. If someone has betrayed you, face up to it and move on. There's good news on the career front that could be bringing in extra cash very soon and a welcome development concerning someone younger.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Virgo** 09067-531757



**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)

AN end to a difficult family matter has finally arrived. You've got to face the truth of this situation. Admitting mistakes is never easy, but it's essential to leading a happier, healthier life. Be sure to create a network of social support so you won't feel so vulnerable.

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**ARIES** (Mar 21-Apr 20)

IT may be time to put an end to a dangerous sport or obsessive hobby. If you won't do it for yourself, do it for your loved ones. You may be surprised to discover how liberated you feel as a result. You'll enjoy working behind the scenes on a community plan more than taking the lead.

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**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)

INSTEAD of letting your feelings get the better of you, make plans for your next move. Distancing yourself from a teacher, expert, or guru will be painful, but cleansing. It's not healthy to attach too much importance to one person or philosophy, anyway.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Cancer** 09067-531755



**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)

A HEALTH matter could come to your attention, forcing you to cut back on work. If you keep going at the same break-neck pace the stresses and strains will start to tell. Some unexpected difficulty could come out of the woodwork, forcing you to leave a position you really enjoy.

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**CAPRICORN** (Dec 22-Jan 20)

YOU may have been travelling a lot over the past few months. If this prospect isn't pleasing to you, do something about it. Inviting friends over for dinner and drinks can be a good way to ease back into the domestic realm. You can still have fun, even if you are staying in one place.

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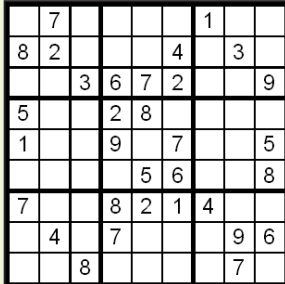
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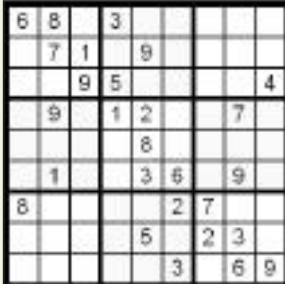
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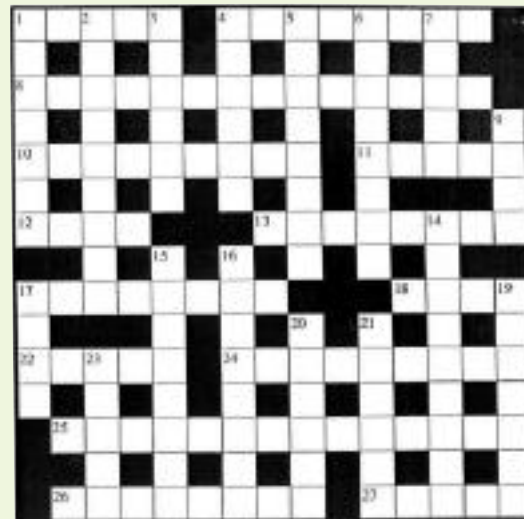
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- 1 Having scoffed, Jack found one on the bottom of the lake (5)
- 4 Master's joint title (8)
- 8 Angry testing? (5-9)
- 10 German apt to become star (9)
- 11 Push the boat (5)
- 12 We hear side will be prolific (4)
- 13 Female with churchman, trusty supporter (8)
- 17 Book her Jamie misbehaving (8)...
- 18 ...early outstanding book (4)
- 22 Plant go on stage in Channel Islands (5)
- 24 Undertaken by two parties or 49 in Alberta possibly (9)
- 25 Old Post Office (6,8)
- 26 Quieter part of a car? (8)
- 27 Medico behind with payment (5)

#### DOWN

- 1 Sailor with copper to bring up the money (7)
- 2 Tanned nude said to be grizzly perhaps! (5,4)
- 3 Dreary lads I'm shocking (6)
- 4 Not necessary to have such an extravagance? (6)
- 5 Don't forget about representative (8)
- 6 Novelist and composer in Cheshire (8)
- 7 It's found at the heart of sinners (5)
- 9 Lady in London or man in Paris (4)
- 14 Norma made new notes (9)
- 15 Movie Ron created about meat and vegetable eater (8)
- 16 Extremely cruel restrictions pronounced icy (8)
- 17 Northerner Joseph, half-back (4)
- 19 Sun air and water? (7)
- 20 Priest, about nine, had right remedy (6)
- 21 Ate into sketch Edward produced (6)
- 23 Fur on one animal (5)

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#### ACROSS

- 1 Fed up (5)
- 4 Perplex (8)
- 8 Immorality (14)
- 10 Ratified (9)
- 11 Valse (anag.) (5)
- 12 Unwilling (4)
- 13 Removed lice (8)
- 17 Close to the sea (8)
- 18 Sea-fog (4)
- 22 Scope (5)
- 24 Redirect a letter (9)
- 25 Attracting publicity (2,3,9)
- 26 Oust (8)
- 27 Elegy (5)

#### DOWN

- 1 Plague (7)
- 2 Controller (9)
- 3 Dundee (anag.) (6)
- 4 Chide (6)
- 5 Took back (8)
- 6 Fielder (cricket) (4-4)
- 7 Artist's stand (5)
- 9 Chief person (4)
- 14 Vulture eg (9)
- 15 Swindle (6-2)
- 16 Brolly (8)
- 17 Repast (4)
- 19 Supporter's badge (7)
- 20 Rodent (6)
- 21 Muddled (6)
- 23 African language (5)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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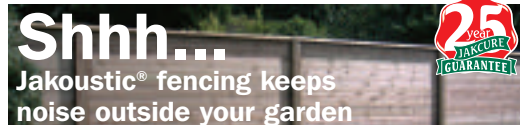
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14 Scavenger 15 Stitch-up 16 Unhirable 17 Meal  
Breathe 5 Withdrew 6 Long-stop 7 Easy 9 Head  
DOWN: 1 Bedevil 2 Regulator 3 Denude 4  
25 In the limelight 26 Supplant 27 Diggle  
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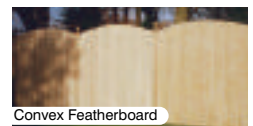
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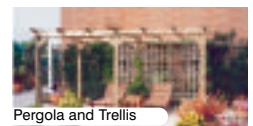


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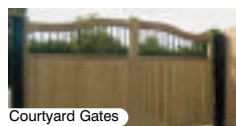


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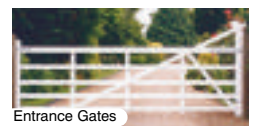


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## BIRTHS

### BARTLETT

Liam born on 2nd January 2008, weighing 7lb 6oz. Son to Louise Best and Chris Bartlett in Ramsgate.

### BEACH

Nicky and Andy Beach celebrate the birth of their twin daughters Alesha Bethany Beach and Michaela Megan Beach on 18th January 2008.

### BLACKWELL

Ian and Nicola of Herne Bay are proud to announce the birth of their son, Finley William, on 1st February 2008. A new baby brother for Liam, Kieron, Leyton and Robbie.

### BOLTON

Miranda and Daniel celebrate the birth of their daughter Lydia Kathleen Bolton born on 6th February 2008.

### BRUNGER

Emma and Richard Brunger of Tenterden celebrate the birth of their son Charlie James on the 18th January 2008.

### CARLTON

Claire Hewitt and Benjamin Carlton of Margate celebrate the birth of their daughter Ruby Louise Carlton on 26th January 2008.

### CARPENTER

Karen and Lawrence Carpenter of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their son Harry Edward John Carpenter on 31st January 2008, a brother for Stephanie, William, Charlotte and Rebecca.

### CHUBB

Darren and Rose Chubb of Monkton celebrate the birth of their daughter Rosie Delphine on 8th January 2008. Welcome sister to Lewis, Brandon and Benjamin.

### ELSE

Brandon Robert Gordon born on 9th January 2008, weighing 7lb 3oz. Son to Jordana and Cameron in Margate.

### FORD

Barry and Claire of Higham are proud to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Bethany born on 28th January 2008, weighing 7lb 10oz. A baby sister for Jodie and Nathan who love her very much.

### GALLAGHER

Finley born on 28th January 2008, weighing 6lb 13oz. Son to Tara and Justin in Ramsgate.

### GEORGE

Jessina born on 4th February 2008, weighing 8lb. A beautiful daughter for Albert and Mereena of Pembury.

### GILBERT

Lucy Frances born on the 30th January 2008, weighing 7lb 6.5oz. Daughter to Russell and Lynzi in Maidstone.

### GOMES

Oldridge Dianne Mary born on 7th February 2008, weighing 8lb 15oz. Daughter to Julie and Richard. Little sister to Robert and Russell in Margate.

### GREEN

Max and Véronique of Tonbridge are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Amy born on the 7th February 2008.

### GROVE

Sophie Louise born at Maidstone Hospital on 22nd January 2008, weighing 10lb 2.5oz. Daughter to Simon and Sarah, sister to Nathan.

### HARRIS

David and Deborah of Boughton Under Bleau are pleased to announce the birth of Marianne Louise born 5th February 2008 a sister for Thomas.

### HEDGES

Tracy and Andrew of Westgate-on-Sea are delighted to announce the birth of their son Oscar Barnaby, born on 19th January 2008 at Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother Hospital.

### HILL

Kevin and Mandy of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their son Jaiden Khan Hill on 14th January 2008. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

### HOGG

Gabriella Susan born on 3rd February 2008, weighing 5lb 15.5oz. Daughter to Michael and Susan Hogg in Maidstone.

### HOLLINGS

Mark and Kath Hollings of Collier Street are proud to announce the birth of their son James Michael Hollings born 12th January 2008 weighing 7lb 13oz.

### KOSTER

Sky Sheila Koster born on 21st January 2008, weighing 6lb 13oz. Daughter to Charles Blackmore and Lyn Koster-Blackmore in Broadstairs.

### LAMOON

Shane Lamoon and Emily DeGrussa celebrate the birth of their son Jordan Frederick Lamoon on 17th January 2008 weighing 7lb 11oz. Our most beautiful and precious son.

### LYOYD

David and Hazel are delighted to announce the birth of their son Joshua Charlton John on 30th January 2008 at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 9lb 8oz.

### MARTIN

Leighton Robert born 11th January 2008. Son of Valerie Martin and David Reynolds and brother to Jonathan.

### McSWEENEY

London Daisy born on 23rd January 2008, weighing 7lb 11oz. Daughter to Fleur and Jay in Margate.

### PARKES

Kestra Melody born on 4th February 2008 weighing 7lb 10oz A beautiful daughter to Adam and Susanna of Tunbridge Wells.

### PERRY

Vicki and Billy of Ramsgate are delighted to announce the birth of Callum Michael, born on 5th February 2008 at QE/M. Mummy and Daddys special little angel.

### PHIELS

Sarah and Jonathan of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their son Isaac Tom Pheils on 11th January 2008.

### PULHAM

Danusia and Tim Pulham of Edenbridge are proud to announce the birth of their

son Jake Samuel Stefan Pulham on 1st February 2008 weighing 8lb 11oz.

### PYKE

Sophie Charlotte born on 15th January 2008, weighing 7lbs 9oz. Daughter to Tony and Alison in Margate. Many thanks to family and friends for all their support.

### RALPH

Bianca and Scott celebrate the birth of their beautiful daughter Jasmine born at QE/M.

### SMALL

Ella Shan Small born on 5th February 2008, weighing 7lb 3oz. Daughter to Rhiannon Small and Chris Hayman of Ditton.

### STALLWOOD

Carl and Rebecca of Margate celebrate the birth of their son Cianan Peter George on 17th January 2008. Welcome brother to Aidan and Erin.

### STEEL

Sadie Swan and Wesley Steel of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Ruby Lauren Steel on 15th January 2008.

### SKINNER

Grace Doreen Kay born on 19th January 2008, weighing 7lbs 9oz. Daughter to Greg and Kayleigh in Margate. Welcome sister to David.

### WALTERS

Iris Mae born on 2nd January 2008, weighing 4lb 9oz and Olive Neve born on the same day, weighing 4lb 8oz. Daughters to Lesley and Domenic in Ramsgate. You are the miracles who we will love and treasure forever.

### WEBB

Richard and Clare are pleased to announce the birth of their son Henry Nicholas Peter born on 28th January 2008 weighing 5lb 7oz.

## DEATHS

### BANES

Elsie Banes of Maidstone passed away on 8th February 2008, aged 92.

### CHAZZELL

Les Chazzell of Dover passed away peacefully after a long illness on 29th January 2008, aged 65.

### COPPINS

Dorothy Joan Coppins passed away at home on 5th February 2008, aged 89. Funeral service to be held at Charing Crematorium on Monday 18th February 2008 at 11.20am. All enquiries to A.W.Court Funeral Directors on 01622 850840.

### DAVIS

Marjorie passed away 5th February 2008 in Herne Bay loving wife of Cyril and mother of Joan Anne and Graham. Funeral to take place on 19th February at Noon in the Salvation Army Citadel Richmond Street Herne Bay. Family flowers only. Donations can be made to Welch and Son Herne Bay for the British Heart Foundation and Dogs Trust Chestfield.

### FORD

Elsie Maud Ford B.S. PhD, formerly of East Malling Research Centre, died peacefully aged 82 after a long illness - accepted with dignity and

often good humour. Enquiries to Viners Funeral Directors on 01732 842485.

### HARRIS

After a short battle with illness Bridget Harris (Dilly) sadly passed away peacefully on Saturday 9th February 2008 at the QE/M in Margate. Now with her beloved Albie. Funeral will be held at SS Austin and Gregory Margate on Wednesday 20 February at 12 noon.

### HILLS

Gordon William died peacefully after a long illness on 9th February. Will be sadly missed by his wife Ivy, family and friends.

### LOINES

John Loines of Offham passed away on 7th February 2008, aged 75. Enquiries to Clarkes Funeral Directors of Snodland 01634 240458. A loved one is not gone until they are forgotten, and to live in the hearts to those left behind is to live forever.

### RUSE

Denis Malcolm Ruse of Biddenden, formerly of Essex, passed away peacefully after a long illness on the 11th February 2008 aged 86. Enquiries to T W Fuggle.

### SAWYER

Roy Sawyer aged 81, died on the 5th February 2008 at home. Cremation to be held at Vinters Park on 20/02/2008 at 11.45am. All enquiries to Sears Barming.

### WALSH

Nora died peacefully on 9th February 2008 at home. Funeral Service to be held at St Anselms Church Dartford at 12.30 pm on 22nd February 2008.

### WILLIAMS

Doreen Williams of Maidstone formally head of English at Invicta Girls School and Deputy Head of Rainham Mark Grammar School passed away suddenly on 04/02/2008. Survived by her husband and 4 children.

### WOODCOCK

Bernard Woodcock passed away suddenly, at his home in Canterbury on 2nd February 2008. The funeral service is to be held at St Thomass Church on Tuesday February 19th at 12 noon followed by a cremation at Charing Crematorium. All enquiries to Lyons of Canterbury 01227 463508.

## IN MEMORIUM

### WRAIGHT

William John Charles Wraight of Whitstable 1922 to 2008. Loving husband to Jean for more than 60 years, much loved father of John and Susan and beloved grandfather. You will always be remembered in our hearts and there will never be another like you. Cremation was at Barham on Tuesday 12th February at 12 noon. Donations to The Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury.

### WOODBRIDGE

Jeffrey William passed away peacefully on 26th January 2008.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Regret over rise in repossession cases

FOLLOWING the release of the latest repossession figures by the Council of Mortgage Lenders, the National Association of Estate Agents has expressed "regret" over the reported rise.

But the group said a sense of perspective on the market is necessary.

Peter Bolton King, chief executive at the NAEA, said: "We always regret hearing news about repossession rises.

"Difficult economic conditions have taken their toll on some homeowners recently and this is certainly unfortunate. It is vital that people looking at the wider market do not lose their sense of perspective, however.

"The 2007 repossession figures are still massively down on those seen in the early 90s, when nearly 80,000 were recorded in one year compared with 27,100 last year."

### Agencies struggle to keep their staff

DESPITE a very healthy market, many letting companies say they are finding it increasingly difficult to find and hang on to good quality staff.

Although the basic earning potential remains good, letting companies are finding the market a tougher place than before and research shows that many employees are choosing to either leave the industry altogether or sit tight.

According to the business, many letting companies have realised that an important element of their reputation and brand image is how their staff deal with members of the public.

### ID theft threat to county's landlords

LANDLORDS are being warned against the threat of identity theft by unscrupulous tenants.

According to a report, sales and letting agents are being warned to be on their guard for tenants with fake references who then assume the landlord's identity, apply for a mortgage and run off with the cash.

Rob Tancred, director of estate agency Capital Bromley, said: "If you do not have a mortgage on your property it is easy for a conman to obtain the title deeds and take one out in your name."



CONFUSION: Experts warn that a lack of knowledge of the changing Bank of England interest rates could have a big impact on the size of your mortgage repayments

# Homeowners living on borrowed time

RESEARCH by The Homebuyer and Property Investor Show has revealed some homeowners are ignorant about basic financial issues, particularly in relation to mortgages.

Although rising interest rates have a significant impact on individual wealth, only one third of the respondents questioned knew what the Bank of England base rate was last month. It currently stands at 5.25 per cent.

Over 50 per cent of people believed the rate was under 5.5 per cent. These findings were confounded by the fact that 59 per cent did not

BY NICK AMES

know what the current interest rate was on their mortgage.

Such ignorance is worrying news for homeowners, many of whom could face a payment shock when their fixed rate mortgages come to an end soon.

The survey also showed an alarmingly low number of homeowners understand the mortgage options available, with only 34 per cent of respondents knowing that the tracker mortgage tracks the Bank of England's base rate.

Nick Clark, managing director of Homebuyer Events, said: "The Bank of England interest rate plays a crucial part in

determining homeowners' personal wealth. With borrowers not keeping their eye on the ball they could find they are paying way above the odds on their current mortgage.

"It is concerning that homeowners seem not to be on top of basic personal financial issues. Buying a house and signing up to a mortgage is possibly the largest financial commitment we make in our lives and yet the sheer number of people who do not understand the basic terms and processes is very worrying.

"However, help is at hand as there are a large number of highly trained financial advisors who can help explain the basic details as well as the more complex issues and keep borrowers abreast of any relevant changes and save them money in the long run."

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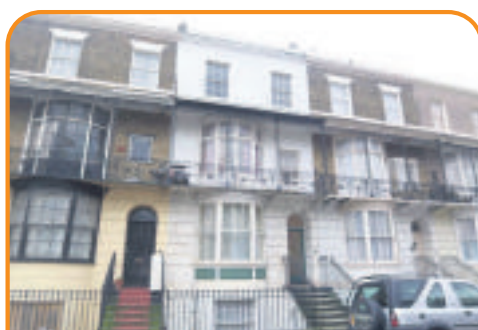
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**RAMSGATE** **£146,995**

**RAMSGATE OFFICE** **BRP06193**

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- 2 Beds & 2 Receptions
- Close Proximity To Town



**RAMSGATE** **£205,000**

**RAMSGATE OFFICE** **BRP06145**

- 3 Bedrooms
- Period Property
- Close To Station



**CLIFTONVILLE** **£139,995**

**CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE** **MCP04317**

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- Ground Floor Character Apartment
- Many Original Features



**MARGATE PRICES** **£99,500-£115,995**

**CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE** **MCP04310**

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**MCP04431**

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- Investment Opportunity
- 10 Bedrooms, Direct Sea Views



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**MWP00984**

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- Renovated To A High Standard
- 2 Ensuites



**CLIFFSEND**

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**BRP06210**

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- Immaculate Condition



**RAMSGATE**

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**RAMSGATE OFFICE**

**BRP06207**

- 3 Bedrooms
- Off Street Parking
- Village Location



**PALM BAY**

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- Balcony, Excellent Location



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- Barn Conversion
- Excellent Condition



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**CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE**

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**Cliftonville**

- Excellent condition
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**Ramsgate**

- Immaculate three bed semi
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- Enclosed rear garden

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**Birchington**

- Semi rural location with outstanding views.
- Extended 3 bed semi.
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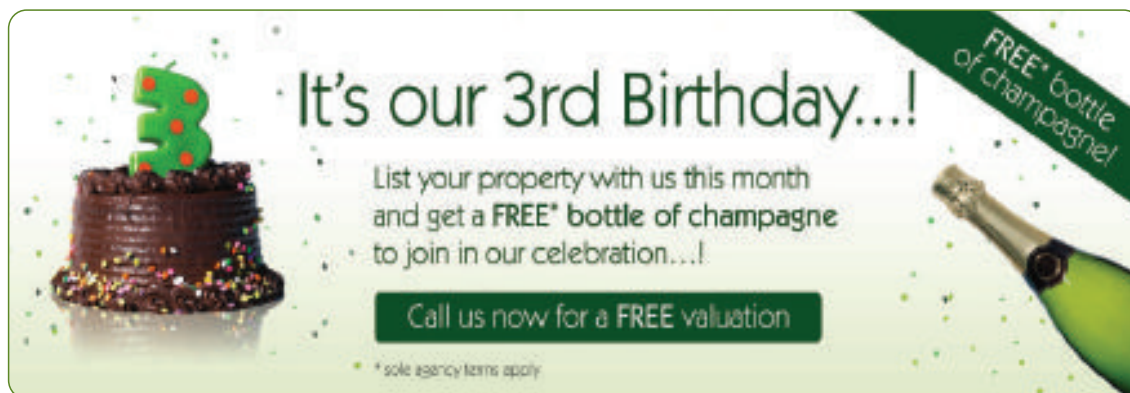
**Margate**

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**Ramsgate**

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- Two Double Bedrooms

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**Westwood**

- Ideal for Westwood Cross
- Presented in Excellent Condition
- 3 Bed House with OSP

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**Westgate**

- 3 bedrooms, 2 receptions.
- Good sized garden.
- Offered with no chain!

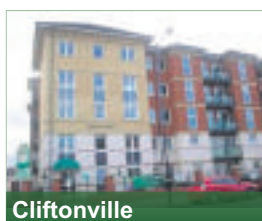
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**Manston**

- Rural cottage to beat most, really must be seen.
- 2 Beds, 2 receptions plus a loft room.
- Off street parking & a pretty garden.

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**Cliftonville**

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- 2 Bedrooms
- Recently built

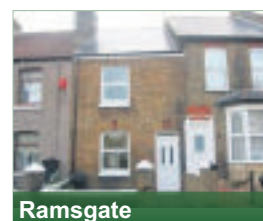
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**Westwood**

- A little gem - hurry to view!
- Great location close to Westwood Cross
- 2 beds, lounge & lovely gardens

..... £159,995



**Ramsgate**

- Ideal First Time Buy
- 2 Bedrooms
- Central Location

..... £149,995



**Margate**

- Two bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Huge garden & Off street parking

..... £143,950



**Margate**

- Two Bedrooms
- Good size lounge
- No chain

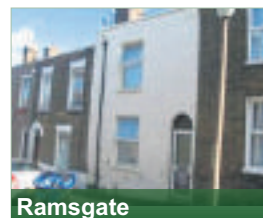
..... £135,995



**Birchington**

- 2 bed first floor maisonette
- Ideal first time buy
- Gas central heating & dbl Glazing

..... £129,950



**Ramsgate**

- Perfect First Buy
- 2 Bedrooms
- Popular Location

.....OIEO £125,000



**Margate**

- Stunning loft style apartments!
- Enormous room proportions
- 2/3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms

.....From £122,950



**Westbrook**

- 1 bed Garden Flat
- Parking and Garage
- Near to Beach

.....£120,00



**Property of the week – Westbrook**

- Pretty 3 Bed Extended Semi
- Sought After Westbrook
- Near Beach, Swimming Pool, Park & Schools

.....£195,000



**Property of the week – Minster**

- 4 bed family home.
- 31ft lounge diner & modern fitted kitchen.
- Utility room, garage and garden.

.....£268,000



Advertorial

# Important news for Homebuyers

With interest rates dropping, now is the time to buy at St Augustine's Park, Millwood's spectacular new development in Westgate-on-Sea. The development offers a range of family homes and contemporary apartments that have proved through continued sales success to be the best new address in the area.

## Incentives tailored for you...

Millwood is offering a range of incentives, from £650 paid towards a purchaser's mortgage every month for a year, to Part Exchange.\*

## Exclusive family properties...

Situated on Lymington Road, St Augustine's Park offers purchasers an eclectic mix of properties with something for everyone. Millwood has created an idyllic new community, which is the epitome of timeless elegance and the diverse range of architecture that can be seen throughout the scheme demonstrates this.

The stunning apartments and three and four bedroom family homes at St Augustine's Park offer an excellent specification including fitted kitchens with integrated appliances, luxurious white bathroom suites and en-suites to the master bedroom, with either a garage or parking. Furthermore, some of the apartments also feature Juliet balconies to the living room or bedroom.

## Welcome to coastal living...

St Augustine's Park is one mile from the centre of this charming seaside village, which offers the best of both worlds for those looking for a



Broadstairs

coastal retreat, whilst still being within easy reach of the motorway network and London.

With a seamless combination of stunning coastal views, picturesque sandy beaches, as well as local amenities and entertainment, the historic town provides an idyllic haven.



Westwood Corss shopping centre

## Don't miss out on a hassle free move!

By reserving one of the beautiful houses at St Augustine's Park you could Part Exchange\* your existing home, meaning you can enjoy a hassle-free move and can be safe in the knowledge that Millwood is your guaranteed buyer\*. Furthermore, the scheme means there will be no chains collapsing at the last minute, as well as no estate agents fees or HIP pack to prepare and pay for\*, leaving you with more money to spend on your new home.

## An incentive perfect for first time buyers...

Alternatively, buyers have the chance to receive £650 paid towards their mortgage every month for a whole year\* if they reserve one of the apartments, leaving them with much more to spend on themselves.



An interior at St Augustine's Park



An interior at St Augustine's Park



## Advertorial



Homes at St Augustine's Park

### Sales success!

Millwood is currently selling phase three of the development, with phases one and two all sold. The sales success at St Augustine's Park has continued to rise as more people are wanting to live at this premier new address. Purchasers are urged to view the properties to ensure they don't miss out.

### A chance to view...

Apartments at St Augustine's Park are priced from £175,000 and houses are priced from £290,000, and there are limited opportunities, so contact the Marketing Suite and Show Home, which is open daily from 10am-5pm, on 01843 836901.

### A coastal alternative...

For those looking to live on the East coast of Kent, Millwood has a collection of 4 & 5 bedroom detached homes at its Upton Grange development in Broadstairs. The new Show Home is now open and Millwood is also offering its Part Exchange scheme at this development.\*



An interior at Upton Grange

Prices are from £440,000 and for further information, please contact the Marketing Suite and Show Home on 01843 862301.

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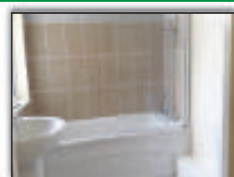
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## MOTORS NEWS



### Winner's keys to Punto

MEDWAY Fiat has presented a trendy special edition Grande Punto to a competition winner from Sittingbourne.

Mr Trevor Minnican is pictured (left) with wife Amanda receiving the keys from dealership sales manager Jason Golding after a competition staged by Fiat and electronics retailer Dixons.

The Minnicans' Punto featured a special package of extras including 15-inch alloys, spoiler, side skirts, sports stripes and 'Blue and Me' Bluetooth system.

Blue and Me is a collaboration between Fiat Auto and Microsoft and was the keynote of the competition.



### Citroën cracks the Code

FOLLOWING success with the well-appointed yet affordable three-door C2 Code (£10,695) supermini special edition, Citroën has 'Coded' the C1 city car and C3 Pluriel convertible.

'Code' treatment can be deciphered as taking the model line's top trim level and adding leather upholstery, sporty alloys, chrome interior details and black livery, yet prices start from under £8,000 for the frugal three-door C1 Code – the standard equivalent costs £7,585. The Code package for the quirky Pluriel is even better value (£12,895) – below list price for the cheapest standard Pluriel.



### Luxury Freelander's arrival only days away

LAND Rover has completed its award-winning Freelander 2 line-up with a new luxury flagship.

The Freelander 2 HST arrives in March, priced from £31,990. It looks the part with a Sports Styling Pack including front and rear bumper aprons, side sill mouldings and rear roof spoiler.

Other kit includes 19-inch, 10-spoke darkened alloys, leather seat facings, privacy glass and metallic paint.

At the same time the company is launching the equally arresting Range Rover Sport HST priced from £59,895.



**CLASS ACT:** The BMW 320d is the best-selling of the 3-Series which delivers power and economy, driver enjoyment, practicality and a long wheelbase with good rear legroom

# Everyman's car keeps its exclusive features

FORD'S Mondeo used to be Britain's favourite car – now it struggles to get into the top-ten sellers' list.

Competition from MPVs and 4x4s has not helped, but the car that has inflicted most damage is the BMW 3-Series – the leader from a compact executive sector that has replaced the Mondeo in the affections of company car 'user choosers'.

We tested the best-selling version 320d version, which delivers power and economy, low emissions and tax efficiency, status, driver enjoyment and practicality. Our car was also the coveted £27,555 M Sport. It commands a premium of more than £5,000 over the 320d 'cooking version', but looks the business when the company car park pecking order matters.

The M package brings a sports version of the exemplary 3-Series chassis, parking sensors, cruise control, climate control, its own alloys, a subtle M Sport body kit, and M Sport door sills.

The star feature is the engine though. Straight six petrol units made BMW's name here, but the

## ROAD TEST BMW 3-SERIES

BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

163bhp 320d unit is every bit as impressive in today's 'squeeze the motorist dry' Britain.

With virtual petrol engine refinement it delivers pulling power across the range as the consummate all-rounder for town and country and relaxed (45mpg-plus) motorway cruiser, aided by a well-spaced and slick six-speed gearbox.

As generations of 3-Series have passed, BMW has extended the wheelbase to enhance balance and handling, so this sporty diesel eats up cross-country travel safely and securely, with little body roll.

However, this can also highlight a fidgety ride caused by run-flat tyres; BMW has ditched a spare wheel for extra boot space, but the drawback could outweigh the benefit.

Inside, the ergonomics are typically good with a clear dashboard layout, excellent seats and a fully adjustable steering wheel.

That long wheelbase also guarantees good rear legroom, though headroom is slightly compromised by the roofline – I can admire the car's abilities, but I cannot love its variation on today's distinctive yet rather ugly BMW design theme.

On the other hand, so many people disagree and top-ten sales speak volumes.



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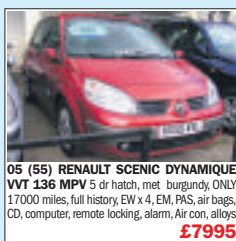
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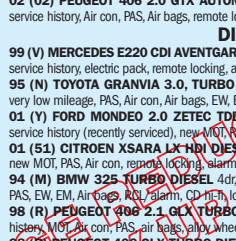
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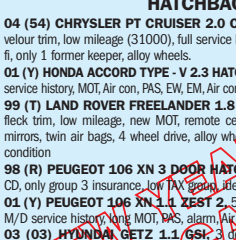


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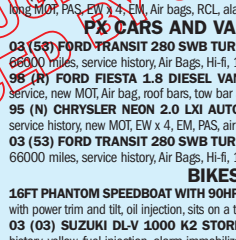
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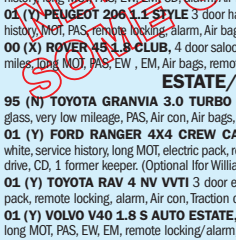
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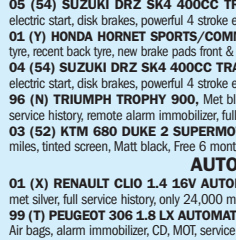
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#### STAR QUALITY

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#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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FOCUS, 1.6 LX 5dr Auto (2005 - 2007), 29/03/2007, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 9607 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX 5dr Auto (2005 - 2007), 29/03/2007, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, grey, 10663 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX 5dr (2005 - 2007), 30/03/2006, cd player abs power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 20403 miles, £7499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 1.8i Edge Ltd Edtn, 2007, startdust silver with charcoal special trim, 21000 miles, £8695, LM Motors, Strood, 01634 296688 (TRADE)

MONDEO, LX 2.0 Tdci Estate, 2005, red metallic with charcoal high velour, 42000 miles, £7495, LM Motors, Strood, 01634 296688 (TRADE)

MONDEO, LX 2.0 Tdci 130ps Euro 4, 2006, panther black with charcoal high velour, 20000 miles, £8995, LM Motors, Strood, 01634 296688 (TRADE)

### HONDA

ACCORD, 1-VTEC SE 5dr, remote central locking, adjustable steering column, power steering, gear, 59000 miles, £3995, Cranbrook Car Sales, Cranbrook, 01580 714007 (TRADE)

ACCORD, 1-Ctdi Executive, central locking, remote alarm, full leather, rear headrests, 81000 miles, £8999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

CR-V, ES, power steering, air conditioning, electric windows, remote alarm, velour trim, head restraints, air bag, abs, 4x4, smoke silver, 70000 miles, £5999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

CR-V, LS, electric windows, immobiliser, power steering, air conditioning, sunroof, air bag, cloth upholstery, rear wash/wipe, cd player, stereo, 4x4, blue, 70000 miles, £3999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

### HYUNDAI

COUPE, 2.0 Sili, 646649, hyundai coupe auto 2007, 18 miles, automatic, petrol, 3 doors, 1 previous owners, silver, £13995, Drake and Fletcher Hyundai, Ashford, 0845 389 1214 (TRADE)



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**COUPE** 2.0, SE, 2003, blue, 32018 miles, £7995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

**COUPE** 2.0, SE, 2002, silver, 129941 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

**GETZ**, GS1 1.4, 2007, red, 2785 miles, £5995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

## ISUZU

**TROOPER**, Citation 3.5 V6 LWB, 1999 (1), auto, 5 door, stunning met green coachwork with contrasting velour trim, 2 & 4 wheel drive, alloy wheels, cd hi-fi, tow bar and twin electric pack, steering column, £3995, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

## JAGUAR

**S-TYPE**, 3.0 V6 Auto, 1999, insurance group 15 abs alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers climate control dimmable passenger airbag power steering radio/cassette remote central locking side airbags traction control trip computer 2 owners service history, meteorite silver, 62000 miles, £5000, A1 Carriages, Croyford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

**S-TYPE**, V6 Auto, remote central locking, remote alarm, adjustable steering column, electric seats, radio, air conditioning, climate control, cruise control, twin air bags, curtain airbags, abs, trip computer, centre armrest, alloy wheels, blue, 58700 miles, £9995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

## LANDROVER

**DEFENDER**, 110 TDI County Station Wagon, alarm, cloth upholstery, tow pack, sunroof, radio cassette, power steering, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, alloy wheels, 4x4, road tax is £180 per year on this vehicle, epsom metallic green, 68000 miles, £12995, Diesel Centre, Staplehurst, 01580 890333 (TRADE)

**DEFENDER**, 110 TDI County Station Wagon, alarm, power steering, rear wash/wipe, side steps, tow pack, sunroof, cloth upholstery, 13" alloys, 4x4, road tax is £180 per year on this vehicle, black, 67000 miles, £11995, Diesel Centre, Staplehurst, 01580 890333 (TRADE)

**DEFENDER**, 90 TDS 505 LHD County Station Wagon, alarm, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, power steering, side steps, tow pack, rear wash/wipe, air conditioning, alloy wheels, 4x4, left hand drive, road tax is £180 per year on this vehicle, atlantic blue metallic, 68000 miles, £13995, Diesel Centre, Staplehurst, 01580 890333 (TRADE)

## MAZDA

**MAZDA2**, Sport 5dr, 636649, mazda mazda 5 2.0 sport 5dr mazda mazda Maidstone drake & fletcher blue, 2007, 5000 miles, manual, petrol, 5 doors, 1 previous owners, blue, £13989, Drake and Fletcher Mazda, Maidstone, 0845 130 3275 (TRADE)

## MERCEDES-BENZ

**230 SPORT COMPRESSOR**, 1998, fantastic car with full ivory leather interior, full sport pack, lilac/blue, 57,000 miles, £5999.00, Bob Fisher Garage, Ashford, 01303 814131 (TRADE)

**A CLASS**, A170 CDI Avantgarde Auto, 2002, insurance group 7 abs alarm immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment service history, aluminium silver, 66000 miles, £6000, A1 Carriages, Croyford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

## NISSAN

**ALMERA**, Tino SE 5dr, gv54 cva, rear wash/wipe, rear headrests, remote central locking, alarm, electric windows, radio, air conditioning, climate control, trip computer, cloth upholstery, alloy wheels, red, 21200 miles, £5495, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

**ALMERA**, Tino S 5dr, 5733079, remote central locking, alarm, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, adjustable steering column, cd player, radio, twin air bags, abs, climate control, cloth upholstery, red, 41300 miles, £4995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**ALMERA SE**, Tino 2.0 CVT, 2002, blue, 43701 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

## PEUGEOT

**PEUGEOT 306**, R reg, 3-door, 2 tr XSi. Blue, 12000 miles, Mot, tax, recent cambelt, £1,100 one. Tel: 077793 862741 (PRIVATE)

**206**, LX, 2002, met blue, 90000 miles, £2795, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

**206**, 1.4 S, 2004, metallic silver, 45000 miles, £4995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

**206**, CC 2.0 SE Convertible, 2004, blue metallic with charcoal racaro trim, 29000 miles, £7995, LUM Motors, Strood, 01634 296688 (TRADE)

## PORSCHE

**911 CARRERA 4**, 2002, meridian silver with blue leather, 46000 miles, £34950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

**911 TURBO**, 3.6 manual, 2003, black metallic with black leather, 17800 miles, £49950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

**BOXSTER**, 3.2s, 2002, rain forest green with nephrite soft ruffled leather, 71000 miles, £13950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

## RENAULT

**MODUS**, Expression 16v 5dr, remote central locking, remote alarm, cloth upholstery, head restraints, height adjustable seat, electric front windows, air conditioning, radio, cd player, blue, 30005 miles, £5495, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

**SCENIC**, 1.4 Authentique 5dr [AC], adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, central locking, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, power assisted steering, rear headrests, remote locking, side airbags, insurance group: 4, blue, 20000 miles, £5994, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0844 5762476 (TRADE)

**25**, Impression S 3 5dr, aj04 bcd, rear wash/wipe, rear spoiler, remote central locking, alarm, immobiliser, electric front windows, electric mirrors, adjustable steering column, cd player, radio, air conditioning, abs, power steering, cloth upholstery, alloy wheels, green, 32700 miles, £4295, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**25**, L Stepspeed 5dr Auto, rear wash/wipe, remote central locking, alarm, immobiliser, electric front windows, adjustable steering column, radio cassette, power steering, air bag, abs, electric sunroof, cloth upholstery, silver, 34900 miles, £5355, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**25**, 1.4 SE 5dr [84Ps], 120054127, abs, air bag, alarm, air conditioning, electric front windows, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, front fog lamps, power steering, metallic paintwork, automatic electric windows, electric windows, cd player, stereo, 15" alloys, trophy blue met, 18151 miles, £5499, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

## ROVER

**25**, Impression S 3 5dr, aj04 bcd, rear wash/wipe, rear spoiler, remote central locking, alarm, immobiliser, electric front windows, electric mirrors, adjustable steering column, cd player, radio, air conditioning, abs, power steering, cloth upholstery, alloy wheels, green, 32700 miles, £4295, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

**25**, L Stepspeed 5dr Auto, rear wash/wipe, remote central locking, alarm, immobiliser, electric front windows, adjustable steering column, radio cassette, power steering, air bag, abs, electric sunroof, cloth upholstery, silver, 34900 miles, £5355, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

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## SAAB

**9-3**, Linear TID 1.9, oct 2004, two previous keepers, power steering, remote central locking, air conditioning, car alarm, on-board computer, seat height adjuster, alloy wheels, silver metallic, 32,000 miles, £9,495, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 1.8T Linear Convertible 2d 1998cc 6sp (2004), ice blue, 4000 miles, £25995, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 2.0T Aero Convertible 2d 1998cc 6sp (2004), ice blue, 4000 miles, £25995, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 1.8T Linear Convertible 2d 1998cc auto (2004), fushion blue, 6000 miles, £16995, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 1.8T Linear Convertible 2d 1998cc 6sp (2004), ice blue, 4000 miles, £25995, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 1.9TID (120bhp) Linear Sport Saloon 4d 1910cc (2005), anniversary model, ice blue, 6000 miles, £17995, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

**9-3**, 1.9TID (150bhp) Linear Sport Saloon 4d 1910cc (2005), espresso black, 31000 miles, £11495, Maidstone Saab, Snodland, 01634 246 750 (TRADE)

## SEAT

**IBIZA**, Formula Sport 1.4 100PS 3dr, sept 2007, one previous keeper, power steering, remote central locking, air conditioning, electric windows, 5 speed gearbox, aux-input, twin airbags, abs brakes, engine immobiliser, electricdoor mirrors, front fog lamps, tinted glass, rear wash/wipe, adj. steering column, seat height adjuster, sports seats, split rear seats, alloy wheels, luna grey metallic, deno miles miles, £9,345, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

**IBIZA**, Stylance 1.4 85PS 3dr, apr 2000, one previous keeper, power steering, remote central locking, climate control, electric windows, 5 speed gearbox, full seat service history, radio/cd player, twin airbags, abs brakes, engine immobiliser, on-board computer, electricdoor mirrors, front fog lamps, tinted glass, rear wash/wipe, adj. steering column, seat height adjuster, split rear seats, emotion red, 5,500 miles, £8,195, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

**IBIZA**, SX 1.2 12V 64PS 3dr, may 2005, two previous keepers, power steering, remote central locking, climate control, electric windows, 5 speed gearbox, engine immobiliser, on-board computer, electricdoor mirrors, front fog lamps, tinted glass, rear wash/wipe, adj. steering column, seat height adjuster, split rear seats, alloy wheels, platinum grey metallic, 15,500 miles, £5,895, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

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**FABIA**, Ambiente 16v 5dr, remote central locking, remote alarm, cloth upholstery, air conditioning, cd player, radio, alloy wheels, grey, 36492 miles, £5495, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

**FABIA**, Classic HPI 5dr, central locking, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, folding rear seats, rear wash/wipe, abs, blue, 12598 miles, £5995, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

**FABIA**, Elegance 16v 5dr, remote central locking, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, heated seats, twin air bags, traction control, electric front windows, radio cassette, all of our vehicles are supplied with 12 month warrant and 12 months mot, grey, 13746 miles, £6795, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

## SUZUKI

**WAGON R**, Special, 53/2003, not to be missed, remote central locking, electric windows and mirrors, alarm radio/cd system with removable security fascia, alloy wheels, taxed to october 2008, not to november 2008, excellent condition, reduced for quick sale at £3495, metallic blue, 32000 miles, £3495, Kent, 01843 840944 (PRIVATE)

**SUZUKI JIMNY J1X**, 09/2000, 1.2 p auto 4x4 estate red 45,000 miles, £2495, Beaver Commercial, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

**ALTO**, 1.1 GL Hatchback 5dr, 04/2004, power assisted steering alloy wheels fog lights cd player full service history 1061cc 16v, met black, 18000 miles, £3,995, Chertlon Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

**GRAND VITARA**, 09/2003, 1590cc 16v swb 4x4 power assisted steering central locking cd player full service history, met red, 26000 miles, £5,395, Chertlon Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

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For further information including salary details and an application pack for any of the above vacancies, please contact the Human Resources Department on either 0845 207 8222 (24 hour answer phone), email humanresources@southkent.ac.uk or visit www.southkent.ac.uk

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Closing date for receipt of applications: **Friday 29 February 2008**



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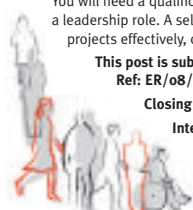
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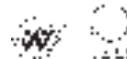
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#### To apply/more information

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Required From: 21 April 2008  
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The Thomas Aveling School  
Aethusa Road  
Rochester  
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Telephone - (01634) 844809  
Email office@thomasaveling.co.uk

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Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 25 February 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
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### Park to host travel fair

PORT Lympne Wild Animal Park has been selected as one of the venues for the Tourism South East Group Travel Fairs.

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# Don't dismiss the pitfalls of missing work for football

■ BY TONY PATEY

WORKERS are being urged not to score an own goal by throwing a sickie during this year's Euro 2008 football tournament.

Amanda Finn, of Gullands solicitors in Maidstone, says that, although the UK does not have a presence in football's second biggest showpiece event, many employers are already worrying about the employment issues that will undoubtedly arise.

She says: "Without wishing to be killjoys, how can they deal with the issues that arise from absences which may affect their ability to maintain business as usual?"

"As a starting point it is a good idea to remind all staff of the company policy for requesting time off and notification of sickness absence."

"An employer does not have to accept a holiday request, but it is important that all staff are treated fairly and consistently."

Here's her advice to employers:

"If you do decide to make allowances for changes in hours to accommodate matches then it is important to stress this is a temporary arrangement and that employers deal with similar staff requests, not football related, with similar sympathy."

"Without seeking to make assumptions

about the gender of football fans, it is likely that if an employer has agreed to a small alteration in hours for many male employees, a refusal of a request for alteration to a female member of staff's hours for other reasons could lead to claims of discrimination."

"If the company is going to take a hard line in relation to sickness absence during Euro 2008 it is important employees are told about this prior to the event and that the procedure does not depart from any contractual scheme."

"Employers will have to be very sure of their facts to take disciplinary action and in any event should be careful to follow the statutory disciplinary procedures to avoid a trip to the employment tribunal."

"And what of the worst case scenario? An employee who has taken holiday to attend the matches is involved in violence. What can the employer do then? The answer is not as straightforward as you might imagine."

"Behaviour which takes place in an employee's own time may not give an employer sufficient justification for dismissal."

If you need guidance contact Amanda Finn at Gullands on 01622 678341 or by email at [a.finn@gullands.com](mailto:a.finn@gullands.com)



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# Wanderers hit by blistering 15 minute Clarke hat-trick

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MAKE OR BREAK: Thanet's clash with Civil Service will determine their league fate

THANET Wanderers suffered defeat after just 16 minutes of their clash away to Bishop's Stortford.

The home side started as they meant to go on with full-back Joe Clarke scoring a hat-trick in the opening quarter of an hour.

All three scores were converted by fly-half Tom Coleman, making the score 21-0 and any chance of points for Thanet were long gone.

Coleman added to the score with a well placed penalty kick, which was immediately followed by a kick from Tom Longdon bringing the score to 24-3.

Thanet were then unfortunate not to be able to score a try after Peter Macaulay broke through Stortford's defensive line only to find that he

## RUGBY

### Bishop's Stortford 48 Thanet Wanderers 3

had no support from his team mates.

Stortford scored twice more before half-time, one as a result of a forward drive and the other by winger Tom Clark, neither were converted which left the half-time score 34-3.

Alex Colenso's try extended Stortford's lead early in the second half, which was duly converted by fly-half Coleman to bring the score to 41-3.

Thanet were again unlucky not to

score when Tom Ash made a 50-metre break down his wing, only to find he had little support when he was eventually tackled by the Stortford defence.

The home side finished the game with a try by flanker David Rose, and converted by full-back Clarke, taking the final score to 48-3.

The Wanderers have a break from action next week before they play their next home game against Civil Service on Saturday, March 1.

The clash is Thanet's biggest of the league as the visitors are a place above them in London One.

A victory for Thanet would put them two points behind their rivals with still a glimmer of hope for staying in the division.

## Margate and Rams reserves both lose

MARGATE reserves were on the wrong end of a seven goal thriller as they lost 4-3 away to Sevenoaks at the weekend.

The defeat leaves them sixth in Kent League Division One with a further six games remaining of the season.

Ramsgate's second string also lost on Saturday when they went down 1-0 to basement side Erith Town at the Southwood Stadium.

The loss means the Rams are still second from bottom in the division.

The Rams are away to Folkestone Invicta on Saturday, while Thanet neighbours Margate entertain Erith & Belvedere at Hartsdown Park.

# Blues put in good display to remain in play-off mix

## FOOTBALL

■ BY GLENN PEARSON

### Margate 3 Staines Town 1

MARGATE ensured they are still in the play-off hunt after one of their best displays at Hartsdown Park this season.

The Blues dominated the game, but for 60 minutes their good football failed to get them a decent chance in front of goal.

However, after one of the strangest penalty decisions you are ever likely to see, Gate went up a gear and deservedly won the game.

A ball was hit into the Margate box on 63 minutes and it deflected from Ryan Peters' leg onto his arm. Despite vehement protestations, the referee gave a penalty which was duly dispatched by Dave Sargeant.

It seemed to spur the home side on and it took only three minutes for them to get back on level terms. Rob Haworth met Dean Standen's corner to head in from six yards.

The goal of the game came in the 76th minute when a great cross field ball was met by Jimmy Jackson on the left. However, his looping left foot cross flew over the top of the Staines goalkeeper and into the net. Jackson may tell you he meant it, but those at Hartsdown Park know different.

The Blues wrapped the game up in the 90th minute when Steve McKimm jinked his way past two defenders and fed James Pinnock who made no mistake.

Margate boss Robin Trott said after the game: "I think the boys have been very disappointed with how we have played lately, they have felt they let the fans down, themselves down and me and Steve McKimm down. I don't think it was very verbal out there, but it was very powerful and we were very compact as a team, so it was pleasing."

Trott was upset about the penalty, receiving a yellow card for it while on the pitch, and said decisions can end up costing teams more than just a goal: "We have had two against us now. It has hit his hand and there is a rule, is it ball to hand, or hand to ball? It definitely wasn't hand to ball."

The game was marred by an ugly incident at the final whistle. Blues midfielder Dean Standen is believed to have been abused by one of the club's fans. Margate players had to get him away from the crowd at the final whistle.

Trott said: "I think he was getting abuse from a fan and that is not acceptable."



Picture: BOB KUPCO

PLEASING: Blues boss Robin Trott was happy with his team's performance but admits they need to be more consistent

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Gills manager Mark Stimson admits the club are now in a relegation scrap

## Amateur teens swim to success

THANET Swim Club claimed five medals at the Kent County Amateur Swimming Championships.

The Seahawks have a record 47 competitors that qualified for this year's Kent Championships including a record 15 swimmers for the under-10 Seahawks Junior squad.

There were three Thanet girls competing in the under-13 girls' age group and all finished in the top six places.

Libby Henson, 13, took the County Crown as she produced a new three second personal best time to take the gold.

Evie Bunte, 13, claimed silver to give Thanet the top two places while Tyler Tuner, 13, made a new five second personal best to claim the sixth place medal.

Matthew Fitt, 15, gave the Seahawks their second top podium place when he claimed the County Crown and the gold medal while Ashley Thorpe, 16, claimed the bronze.

The Kent County Championships continue until Friday, March 9, taking place over a further seven days of competition.

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# Takaloo undecided over boxing future

## BOXING

■ BY YOURTHANET REPORTER

MARGATE boxer Takaloo could make a decision next week on whether he will make a return to the ring.

The 32-year-old was close to calling it a day after his defeat to Anthony Small for the Southern Area light-middleweight title last month, but he has now had time to think about his future.

He is due to meet promoter Frank Warren in the next couple of weeks to learn if there are fights out there for him.

Takaloo said: "If I was to get back in the ring, the bottom line is that I'm not a bad fighter."

"I have looked after myself over the years and if I do go back I would want more than just one fight every seven months."

"If I am going to do it, I can't wait around for a fight, it's not good for me."

A month on from the Small fight at York Hall in Bethnal Green, Takaloo is feeling a bit more positive about his future and time has allowed him to begin to banish the defeat to the past.

He said: "When I get that feeling back I will get back in the ring."

"There are a few opportunities there for me like Kyosta Tszyu has asked me to work with him in Australia, but I need to look at what's best for me."

"The last few years in the sport have not really worked out for me."

"The whole system has not been right for me, training in Margate and working with Jim McDonnell."

"My team have not been pulling their finger out and that has been showing in my fights."

"I want to do well for Thanet and for all the people that have supported me."

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DECISION TIME: Takaloo has had time to think and admits he could get back in the ring if he can be guaranteed fights



DOWN BUT NOT OUT: Ville's good play was not quite enough to prevent them sliding to defeat

## Ville find the going tough in clash with high-flying Sevenoaks

### HOCKEY

#### Sevenoaks 3 Cliftonville 0

VILLE slumped to their ninth defeat in the Kent Open Premier A division despite a good performance against in-form Sevenoaks.

The match started very positively and Ville showed a better ability to pass the ball around the opposition and create space.

However, having practised penalty corners it was disappointing that when the ball was switched towards the left of top D, no Ville player reacted and Oaks were allowed a free shot that deflected in off the goalkeeper's toe.

The home side's second goal was also from a penalty corner and again was from a defensive error between the defence and goalkeeper Paul McNally.

It was a better first time strike from Sevenoaks, who managed to bury the goal into the bottom right hand corner.

The second half began much as the first, with Ville controlling the game but with little effect except for a shot from Mark Tiley which forced the keeper into a fine save. However, Ville did not give up due to a stubborn refusal to travel so far for nothing.

Despite a lot of possession, the away side could not create any clear-cut chances of their own and in the end, Sevenoaks went on to score another before the end.

Ville's 2nd XI also tasted defeat at the weekend as they went down 3-1 to Maidstone.

Cliftonville got off to a strong start against a team that sit second in the league.

As tired legs set in, Cliftonville lost their shape which lead to Maidstone scoring two quick goals.

Cliftonville mounted a come back and through a spell of good play, Mark Kegnagh scored a vital goal.

By this point, time was running out and within the last few minutes of the game Maidstone scored a third to wrap up their victory.

# Ward signs Firth to bolster attack

## FOOTBALL

#### East Thurrock 1 Ramsgate 1

RAMSGATE missed out on an opportunity to reclaim their play-off place as they were held to a draw at East Thurrock on Saturday.

The Rams made their first half possession pay and scored in the 23rd minute through an Olly Schulz header.

However, in the second half the home side made the most of their opportunities and got back into the game in the 65th minute. Despite chances for both sides, the game ended in a draw.

A point for the Rams puts them two points behind fifth-placed Hendon, who lost 3-2 to Maidstone at the weekend.

Manager Jim Ward has been busy bolstering his squad in an attempt to ensure his side are in the top five at the end of the season.

After securing the services of Lenny Piper and Lee Craig last week, Ward moved to sign prolific Kent League

striker Aaron Firth from Herne Bay for an undisclosed sum.

The Rams boss has added to his forward line after Steffan Ball departed for Blue Square South side Sutton United last month.

Firth, who has scored 25 goals this season, is injured at present, but has now joined up with the Rams and could be available in the next couple of weeks.

The Rams booked a place in the semi-finals of the Isthmian Cup after overcoming Tooting & Mitcham on penalties last Tuesday.

Nick Davis cancelled out Paul Vines' effort for Tooting before Warren Schulz had a penalty saved by Terrors' keeper Dave King in extra-time.

Goalkeeper Paul Wilkerson pulled off three excellent penalty stops to ensure his side won 4-3 and progressed into the last four of the competition.

The draw sees Ramsgate away to either Carshalton Athletic or Walton Casuals for the semi-finals, which are to be played on Tuesday, March 4.



PROMOTION HOPES: Rams boss Jim Ward hopes new signing Aaron Firth will help fire up his side into the play-offs at the end of the season

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